

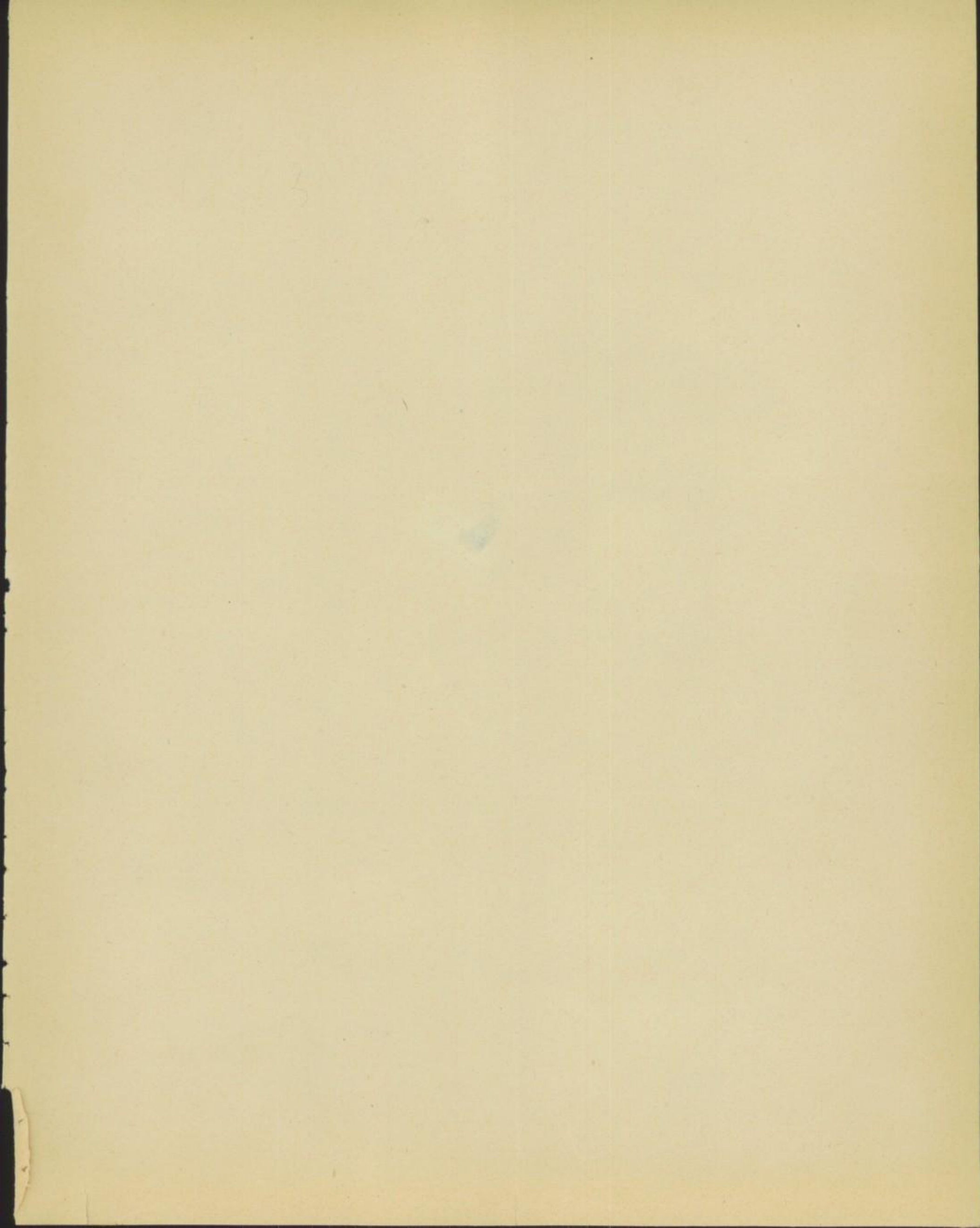


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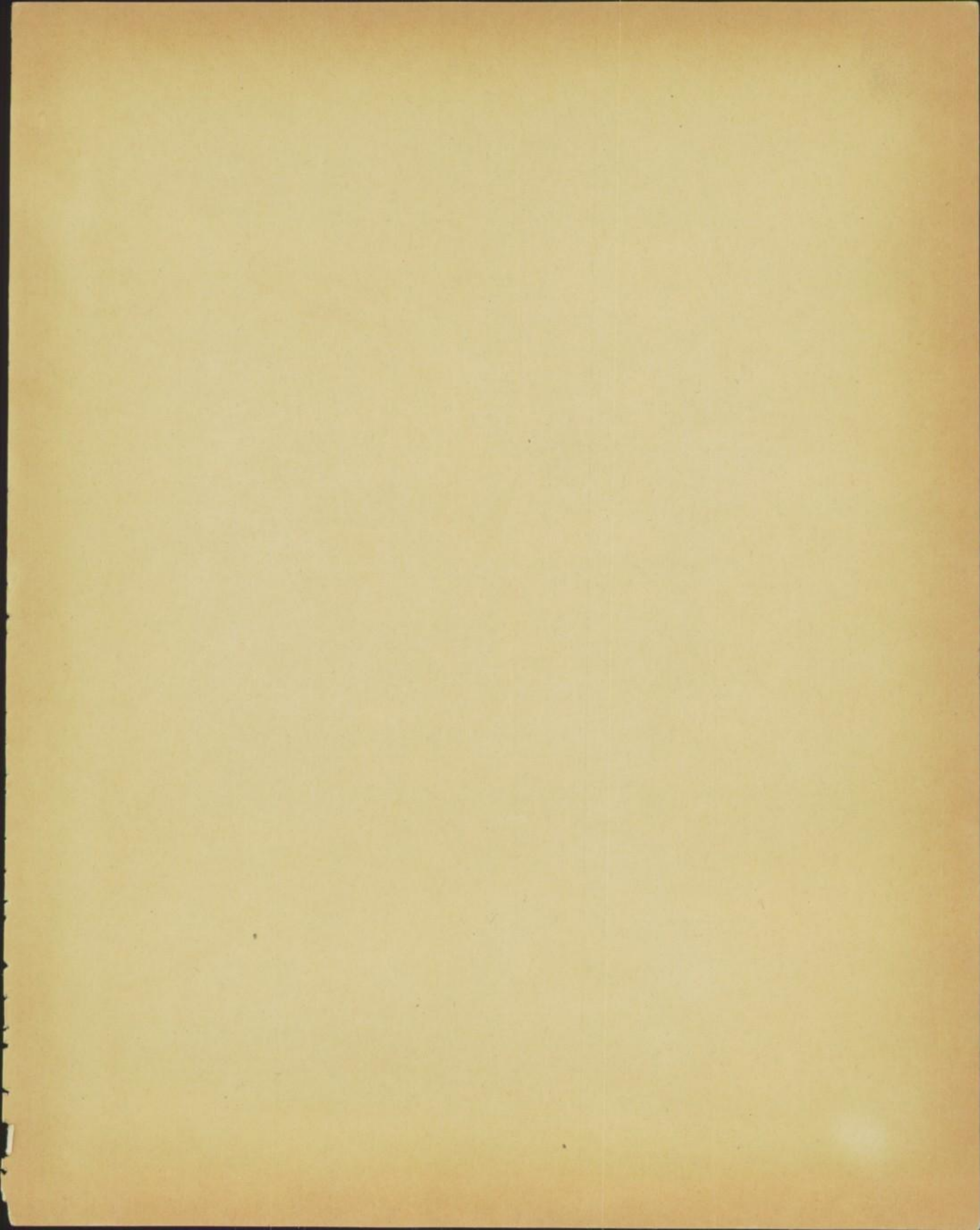








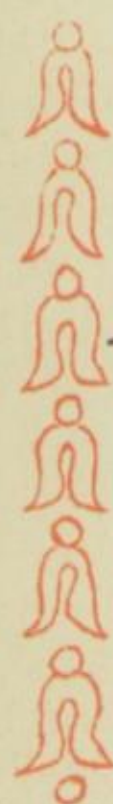












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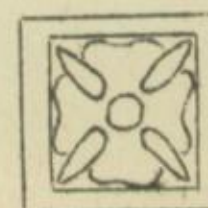
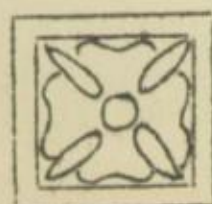
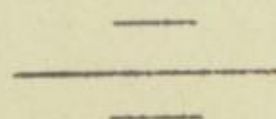


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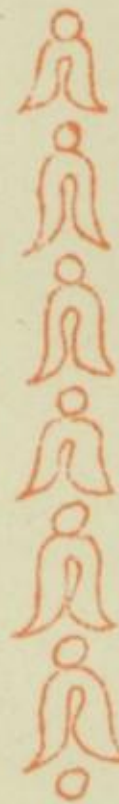
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Merle J. Ririe	1924	Lieutenant	Navy
Dale King	1924	Lieutenant	Navy
Emmet Fruin	1925	Major	Air Corps
James Andrews	1927	Sergeant	Medical
Leon Fruin	1927	Lieutenant	Navy
Laverne Frey	1928	Private	Air Corps
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Pruce Kirkton	1932	Corporal	Air Corps
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James Schramm	1936	Sergeant	Tank Corps
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Dale Phillis	1938	Staff Sgt.	Coast Artillery
Cecil Schreck	1939	Chief P.O.	Navy
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Jake Hoobler, Jr.	1939	Staff Sgt.	Air Corps
Joe Schramm	1939	Sgt.(H.Dis.)	Infantry
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Lorimer Phillis	1942	Private	Air Corps
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Lee Gramm	1942	Seaman 1c	Navy
William Froelich	1942	App. Seaman	Navy
John Kinsella	1943	Private	Air Cadet
Jay Klopfenstein	1943	Seaman 2c	Navy Seabees
Gerald Wahls	1943	Seaman 2c	Navy Signal
John Rich	1943	App. Seaman	Navy
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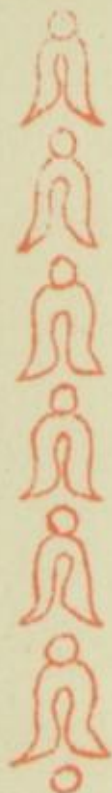
We, the Senior Class of Gridley Community High School, wish to dedicate this fifth issue of the "Pylon" to Coach Towner, and the tournament squad who displayed so many qualities of sportsmanship and through their untiring efforts became the County Champions.

We students give you a cheer boys for we are very proud of you.



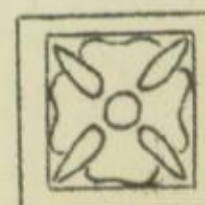






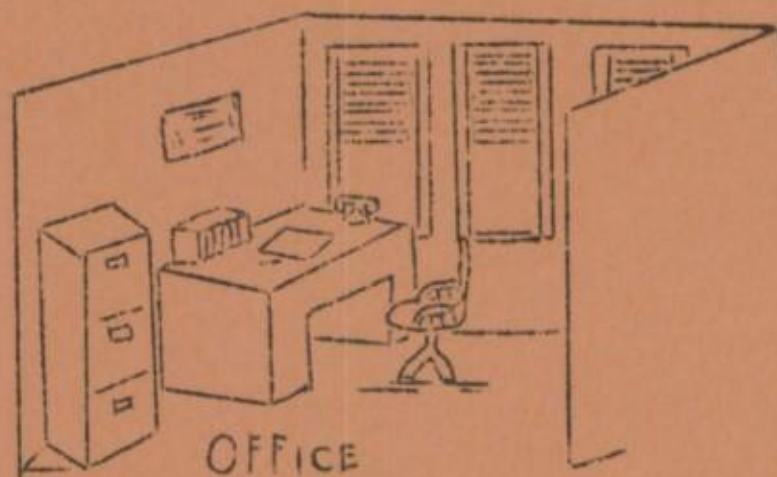
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The Class of 1944 presents this volume of the Pylon. May it bring you pleasure and may it, in the years to come, help you recall the happy days you spent in Gridley Community High School.

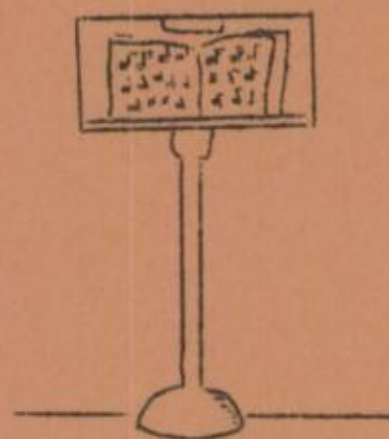
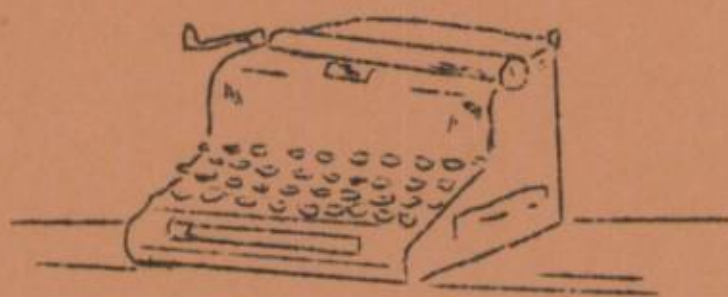


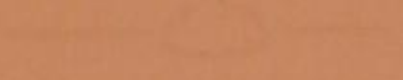
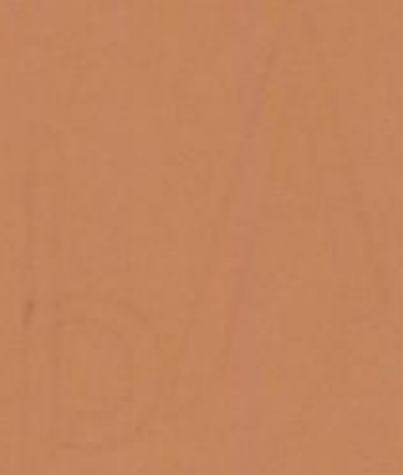






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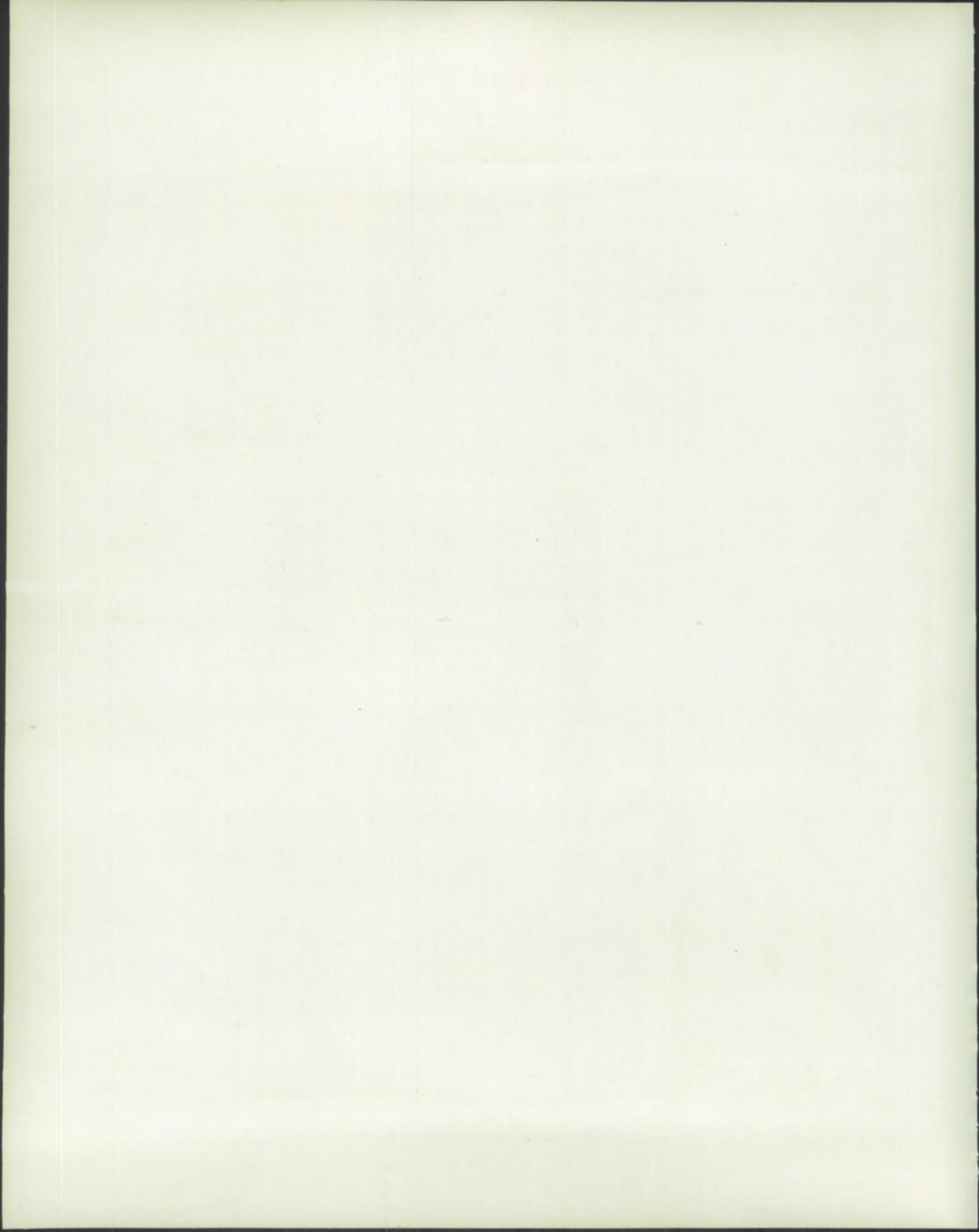
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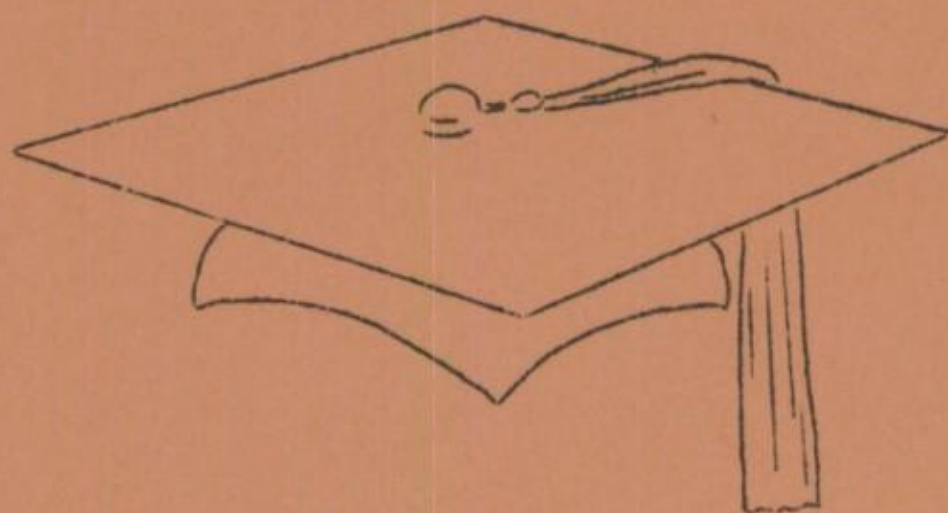


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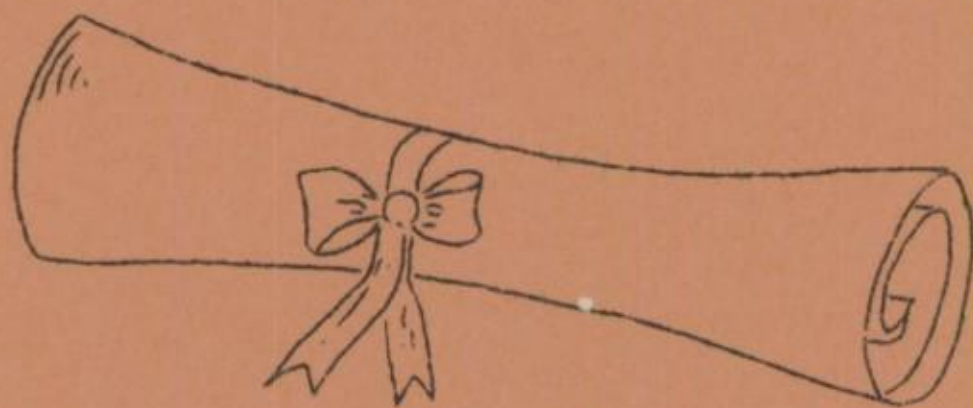
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# Senior Class









Wesley Foor



Alyce Rose Meiss



Anna Lou Kuerth



Ruth Ann Schlipf



Ramona Oliver



Kenneth Gramm



Georgiana Brush



Donald Zehr



Kenneth Roth



Joan Steward



Henry Kuerth, Jr.



Eileen Lergler



Esther Egest



Myrtle Dodson



Clara Andrews



Henry Stortz



Madelyn Andrews



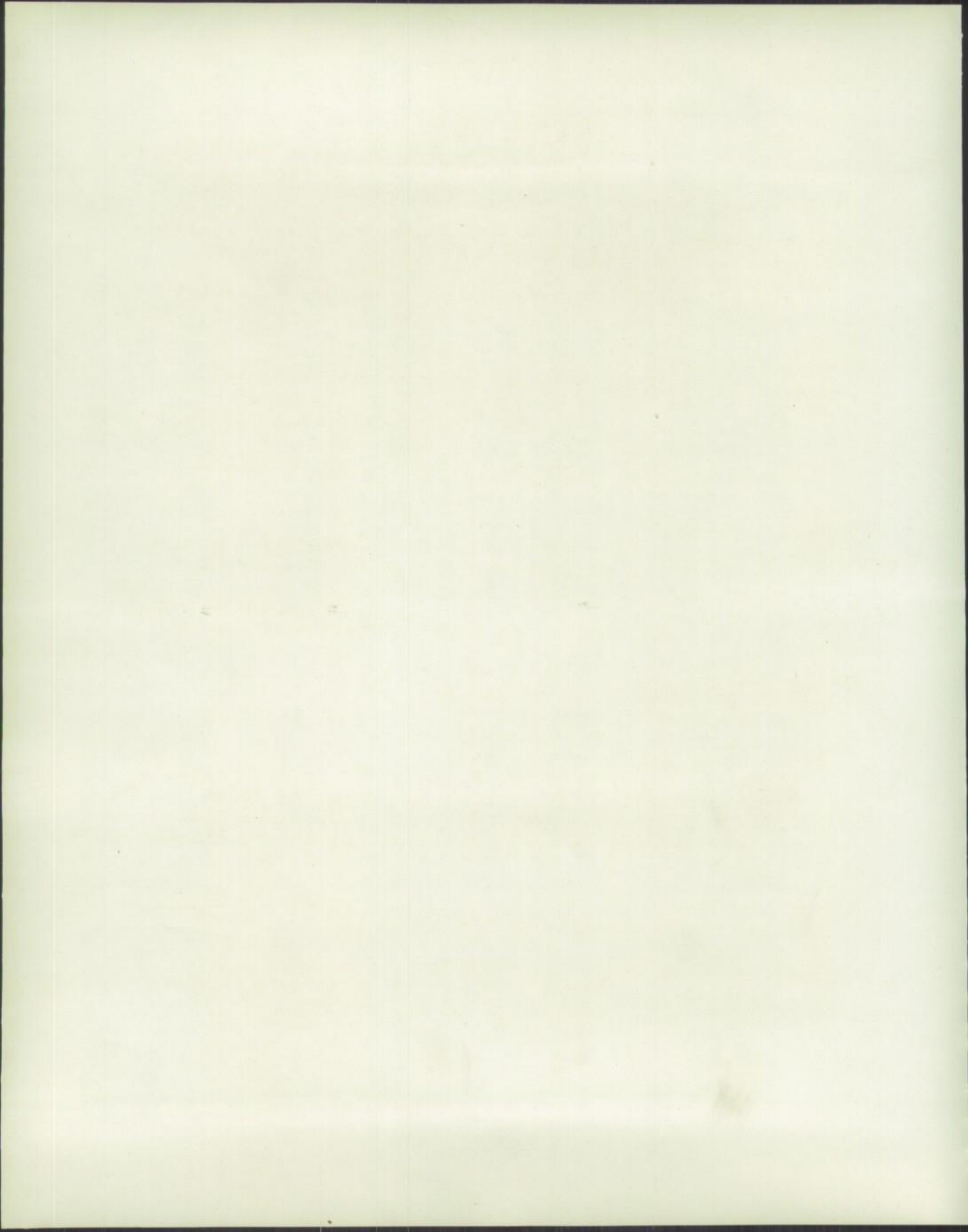
Bernice Stalter



Donald Gramm



Mary Wilfong





# SENIORS

## Clara Andrews:

A quiet little blonde with not a whole lot to say;  
But a true friend of all in just every way.  
County Chorus 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. 1; F.H.A. 3, 4; Pep  
Club 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Pylon Staff 4; Librarian 4.

## Madelyn Andrews:

A capable student, full of pep and quite a tease;  
We often hear her voice saying "Number please."  
G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; "The Pampered Darling" 2; "A letter  
to the General" 3; Pep Club 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3; Pylon  
2, 3; Gridlite 1, 2, 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3; Speech  
1, 2, 3, 4.

## Georgiana Brush:

She has a melodious voice that floats through the air;  
And married to a soldier who is serving "over-there".  
Speech 1, 2; F.H.A. 1, 3, 4; "A Letter to the General"  
3; Student Council 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Pylon Staff 4;  
Gridlite Staff 2, 3, 4; County Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4.

## Myrtle Dodson:

Always happy-go-lucky as can be,  
Even though quite small;  
Planning to be a stenographer and,  
Study at Gallagher's this fall.  
G. A. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; "Sauce  
for the Goslings"; Pep Club 4; Chorus 4; Pylon  
Staff 4; Gridlite Staff 3; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Class  
Vice President 4; G. A. A. Treas. 3; County Chorus  
and Band 4.

## Esther Eigsti:

We know the Mennonite Hospital will be  
Proud to greet;  
Such an honor student, trustworthy and neat.  
Librarian 2; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; G. A. A. 1; County  
Chorus 2, 4; Pylon Staff 3, 4, Editor 4.



Wesley Foor:

As for athletics he's really swell,  
A whole lot better you'll never see;  
Soon he'll be wearing the kakai of Air Cadets,  
For a pilot he wants to be.

Basketball 2, 3, 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4; Football 1;  
Class President 4; "A Letter to the General" 3;  
Pylon Staff 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4.

Donald Gramm:

Dancing, romancing, and deals out a line;  
Has a quick temper, but's a gentleman fine.

F.F.A. 1, 2, 4; "A Letter to the General" 3; Chorus 1;  
Track 3, 4; Pylon Staff 4.

Kenneth Gramm:

This gaunt lad, who is always true;  
Will soon be wearing the "Navy Blue".

F.F.A. 1, 2, 4; "A Letter to the General" 3; "Pamper-  
ed Darling" 2; Pep Club 4; Chorus 1, 2, 4; Pylon  
Staff 4; Band 4; Track Manager 3, 4; County Chorus 2, 4.

Anna Lou Kuerth:

Pretty, poised and petite,  
An intelligent lass who is extremely neat.

G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 2, 3, 4; "A Letter to the  
General" 3; Pep Club 4; Student Council 4; Pylon  
Staff 4; Class Treasurer 1.

Henry Kuerth, Jr.:

He's capable, Athletic, and studious too;  
We think he'll succeed in his ambition, don't you?

Student Council 4; Pylon Staff 4; Track 1, 2, 3, 4;  
Track Captain 4; Basketball 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4;  
"A Letter to the General" 3.

Alyce Rose Meiss:

A future home-maker of the U.S.A.;  
Active, attractive, and usually gay.

G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader  
2, 3, 4; "A Letter to the General" 3; Class Secre-  
tary 2; F.H.A. Treas. 2, President 4; Student  
Council 4; Gridlite 4; Pylon 4.



Ramona Oliver:

A talented lass, personality and knowledge,  
Will hike the campus of a chosen college.

G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; G.A.A. President 4, Secretary 2;  
Cheerleader 2, 3, 4; "A Letter to the General" 3;  
Pep Club 4; Student Council President 4; Chorus 1,  
2, 4; Pylon Staff 3, 4; Gridlite Staff 1, 2, 4;  
Band 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Treas. 3, Class Pres. 2;  
County Chorus 2, 4; Speech 1, 4; County Speech 2,  
District Speech 2; D.A.R. Award 4.

Kenneth Roth:

He's tops on the mound, has friends a plenty;  
This man about town, nicknamed "Kenny".

Class Vice President 1, 2; Class President 3; F.F.A.  
4; "Pampered Darling" 2; "A Letter to the General"  
3; Student Council 4; Pylon Staff 4; Basketball 4;  
Track 1, 2, 3, 4; Track Captain 4; Baseball 2, 3, 4;  
Speech 3, 4.

Bernice Stalter:

A timid, quiet, girl is she;  
Dependable and courteous as can be.

G.A.A. 1; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Pylon Staff 4; Gridlite  
4; Class Treas. 2; County Chorus 2; Librarian 3, 4.

Ruth Ann Schlipf:

She's optimistic, dependable and wise;  
A diploma in business will be her prize.

F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; Class Sec.-  
Treas. 4; F.H.A. Vice Pres. 4; Pylon Staff 4; County  
Chorus 2, 3, 4; Librarian 3, 4.

Joan Steward:

Full of Pep, Vim, and Vigor;  
Heart of gold that couldn't be bigger.

G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F. H. A. 1, 2, 3, 4; "A Letter to  
the General" 3; "Sauce for the Goslings" 2; Pep  
Club 4; Student Council 4; Chorus 4; Pylon Staff 4;  
Gridlite 3, 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4; County Band and  
Chorus 4.

Henry Stortz:

Brown eyes and curly hair;  
Easy going and always fair.

F.F.A. 3, 4; "A Letter to the General"; Student  
Council 4; Class President 4; F.F.A. President 4;  
Pylon Staff 4.



Mary Virginia Wilfong:

Tops in Music, and "Merry" she is;

Always friendly and in sports a whiz.

G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3; Pep Club 4;

Chorus 2, 4; Pylon Staff 4; Gridlite 4; Band 1, 2, 3, 4.

Eileen Yergler:

Likable, laughable, talkable is she;

When it comes to dates, may we have the recipe?

G.A.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; F.H.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; Cheerleader

3, 4; "A Letter to the General" 3; "Pampered Darling"

2; Pep Club 4; Chorus 1; Class Treas. 3.

Donald Zehr:

Humorous, Mischievous, in every way;

We predict he'll be a good farmer someday.

F.F.A. 1, 2, 3, 4; "A Letter to the General" 3;

Chorus 1, 2, 3, 4; F.F.A. Reporter 2, Secretary 3.



# THE PROPHECY

May 13, 1954

## MISS KUERTH TO VISIT NEW ROAD COMMISSION- HOME TOWN ER ELECTED

Miss Kuerth, that teller of horrible tales is visiting her home town of Gridley this week.

Miss Kuerth, who stars on the "Hair Raising Tales Hour" sponsored by Pickled Grasshoppers Co., is home to attend a banquet given in honor of her brother, Junior Kuerth, who is to leave next week for training for the Olympian Games. He is one of the high hurdlers for the United States. The team is making a tour of the United States this year and so he has to report early.

## ACCEPT OUR APOLOGIES PLEASE

Due to circumstances beyond our control, there will be no Sports Novelties section in this issue. The author of this section, Ramona Oliver, was injured two days ago. While she was out at the spring baseball training camp, gathering information for her column, a stray baseball conked her on the head and she was rendered unconscious. She is reported improving, but has not recovered enough to write her daily items.

The votes have all been counted and we are happy to announce that that position goes to the ambitious Kenneth Roth. He is a graduate of Gridley Community High School and has been farming in this locality for a number of years.

Good Luck to you, Mr. Roth. We hope you have a successful term.

## ATTENTION INTELLIGENT MORONS

Henry Stortz has established a new kind of school. Upon careful study he has come to the conclusion that intelligent morons can be taught. He received his degree from the Imbecelic University and so has had an ideal place to study the situation.

If any of the morons overtax and break down, Miss Joan Steward R.N., Mr. Stortz's fiancée, will be there to take care of them.

## ARE YOU READY TO DIE?

If so please consult

MARY V. WILFONG  
Embalmer & Undertaker

## PROF. ZEHR DISCOVERS NEW WORM

The Igglesteinn Academy announced today the discovery of a new worm. The discovery was made by Prof. Donald (Tape-worm) Zehr after an intensive search. This new worm has journeyed through the earth from United States to China. The Prof. is now learning the worm language so he can tell everyone about the new worm's travels.

## DON GRAMM TO COM- PETE FOR HEAVYWEIGHT CROWN

Kenneth Gramm, manager and brother of Don Gramm, released tonight the intention of Don Gramm to fight "Bull Dog Bozo" the current heavyweight title holder.

Don defeated "Bull Frog, the Croak" last week in a tenth round knockout and previous to this he won his battle from "Little Liver Louie" by a K.O. in the fourth round. Feeling that he has enough confidence to fight Bozo his manager, Kenneth Gramm, has consented to let them have a match.

Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Shinpaugh, sons and daughter are visiting the Satterfields in Swampland County.



### HEROINE OF FLOODS VISITS FARM

Bernice Stalter, the heroine of the floods in Miss. is here visiting a former school chum, Miss Eigsti, on her turkey farm.

Bernice distinguished herself this spring by rescuing 10 children who had been put adrift in a leaky mudboat. She risked her life to bring them back to safety and has been highly praised by her superiors for the amazing act.

She has a vacation for two weeks and is spending them with Miss Eigsti. Miss Eigsti is to be married next week and so Bernice will be there to attend the wedding.

### FIBBER MCGEE FINALLY MEETS MYRT

Fibber slipped a nickel in a slot to call a friend and imagine his surprise to hear "Yeah this is me" in answer to his query "That you Myrt?"

Myrtle Dodson was on the switchboard and so answered his question without stopping here for 40 minutes rest between trains. She is going to appear on his program in the near future and represent the "Myrt" that belongs there.

### GEORGE ANNE BRUSH WINNER OF HAIR STYLE CONTEST

The "Wavy "Davy" Hair Dresser Co. released the names of the winners of the "Contest to Find the Swirliest Hair Do of America". We are proud to announce that Mrs. Porter Brush won first prize.

### AT LAST

Wes Foor, that hunk of masculine modesty, has finally, after five years, consented to have a woman actor in a movie picture with him. The new picture will be entitled "Finally-He-Did-It."



Miss Eileen Yergler

She is going on a special assignment to be the cover girl of the LOS ANGELES GAZETTE.

### MISS SCHLIPF MADE HEAD SECRETARY AT GALLAGHER'S

Ruth Anne Schlipf was made the head Secretary at Gallagher's recently. As soon as she graduated from high school she entered Gallagher. She graduated at the prescribed time but the people there liked her so well that they retained her. Now we have been informed that she has worked so diligently that Gallagher's have asked her to stay on as the Head Secretary.



MEMBER OF CLASS OF  
'44 TO GO TO SOUTH  
POLE TO FARM.

At a party given at her home Wednesday Mrs. Don Gilmore (nee Alyce Meiss) announce the intention of her husband and herself to go to the South Pole and farm. She said that they would leave in two months.

Don't forget next week! We start a new serial by Madelyn Andrews.

"SUSPENSE"



## CLASS WILL

Henry Lynn Stortz wills his curly hair and captivating way with girls to Duane Schrock.

Eileen Vergler wills her frankness and ability to flirt to Charlotte Dodson.

Alyce Rose Meiss wills her loyalty to that certain Romeo to Rosemary Whiseman.

Madelyn Andrews wills her boldness and her way with the younger opposite sex to Jane Cornwell.

Ramona Oliver wills her belief in leap year to Jean Schlipf.

Anna Lou Kuerth wills her dignity and sarcasm to Charlotte Hodel.

Joan Steward wills her ability to step out on her boy friend and get by with it to Catherine Slagell.

Junior Flesher wills his ability to study and be an honor student to Ty Kaufman.

Bernice Stalter wills her modesty and sensible mind to Jean McCullough.

Kenny Roth wills his old adage "a good line is the shortest distance between two dates" to Lyle Zehr.

Wesley Foor wills his shyness and quiet ways to Bob Kearney.

Junior Kuerth wills some of his brawn and size to Bud Hoobler.

Kenny Gramm wills his peppy and ambitious nature to John Murray.

Don Zehr wills his shortness and snickers to Garsh Klopfenstein.

Don Gramm wills his ability to use his fists to Bill Helbling.

Clarra Margaret Andrews wills her ability to get around to Evan Bertsche.

Georgiana Brush wills some of her plumpness to Larry Ellenberger.

Esther Eigsti wills her brawn and brain to Kenny Gerig.

Mary Wilfong wills her athletic ability to Winifred Fenton.



Ruth Ann Schlipf wills her sincerity and straight forwardness to  
Bobby Heiple.

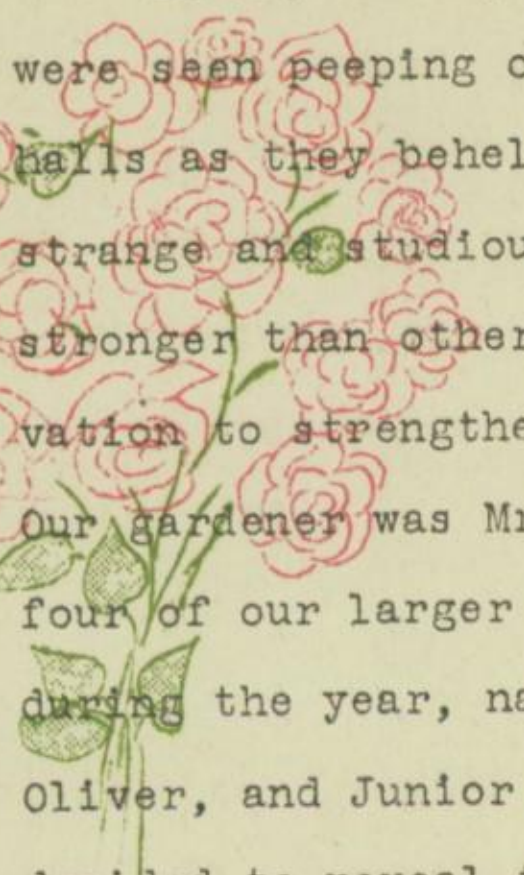
Myrtle Dodson wills her boldness around the opposite sex to Robert  
Gramm.

The Senior Girls will the basketball championship to the Junior  
Girls.....



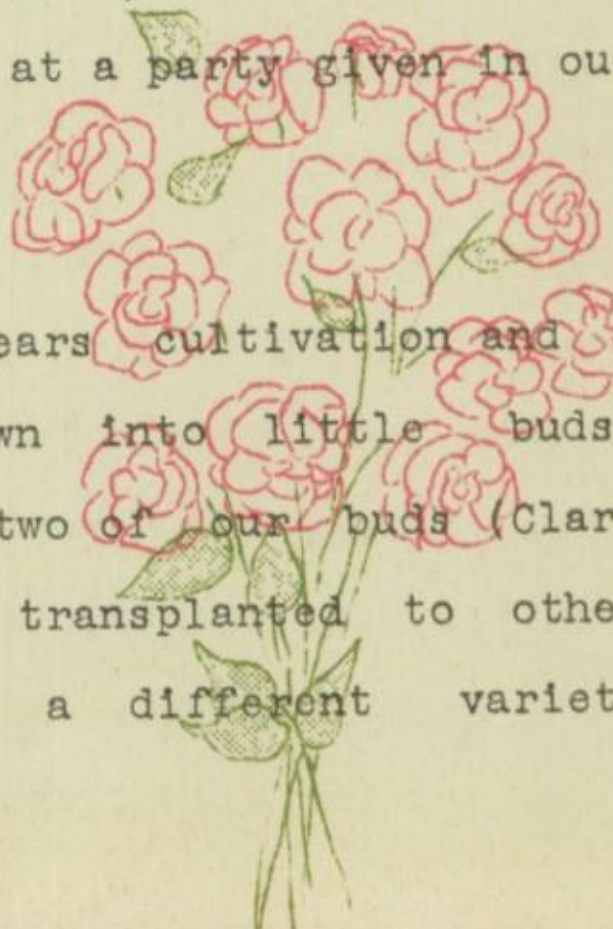
## SENIOR CLASS HISTORY

1940-41



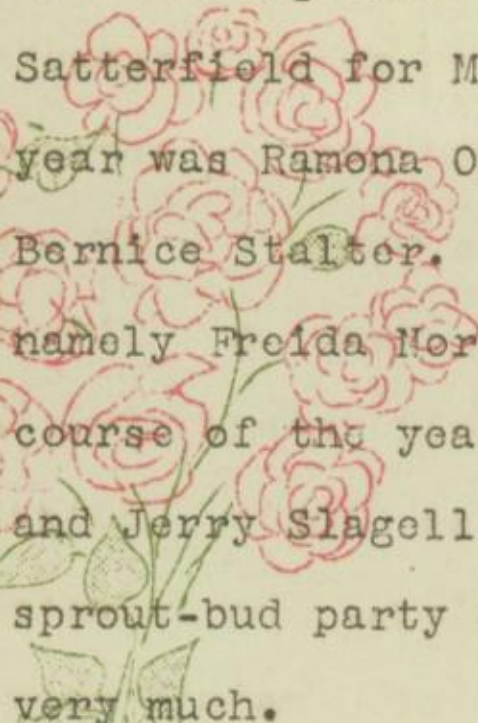
In September, 1940, thirty-five little green sprouts were seen peeping out from behind doors and around strange halls as they beheld for the first time the wonders of a strange and studious world. Some sprouts were a little stronger than others, but as a whole they all needed cultivation to strengthen their minds as well as their bodies. Our gardener was Mr. McKey and later Mr. Loy. We elected four of our larger sprouts as our source of maintainance during the year, namely, Henry Stortz, Kenny Roth, Ramona Oliver, and Junior Kuerth. Soon some of the little sprouts decided to reveal their amazing poise and self will as they gracefully swayed and nodded to the bystanders as they shot around the track and showed their ability in other athletics. We had a lot of fun, but also some frightening moments when the day came that we were to be initiated into the new world for good. But with the bad, there is good, and that evening we had a swell time at a party given in our honor by the buds.

1941-42



In September, 1941, after a years cultivation and a summers growth, we found we had grown into little buds. There were thirty-three of us left, two of our buds (Clara Ball and Helen Woosley) having been transplanted to other gardens. But alas, we also obtained a different variety

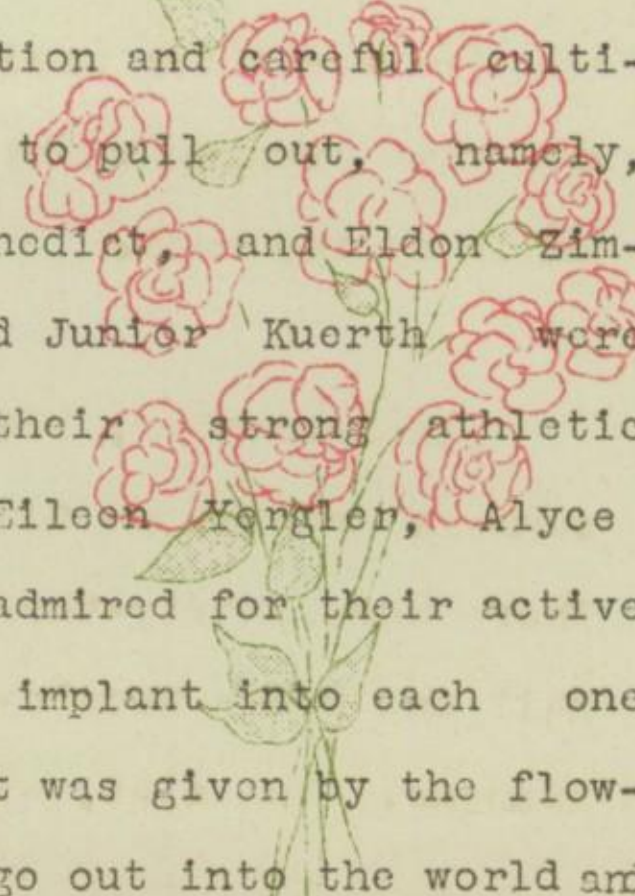




when Geraldine Burroughs of Chenoa took her stand here among us. During this year, we again exchanged gardeners, Mr. Satterfield for Mr. Loy. Our source of maintainance this year was Ramona Oliver, Alyce Rose Meiss, Kenny Roth and Bernice Stalter. We again received two different species, namely Freida Northcutt and David Benedict. During the course of the year, two weeds were pulled out, Dolmar Yordy and Jerry Slagell. We entertained the freshmen sprouts at a sprout-bud party at Lake Bloomington which we all enjoyed very much.

1942-43

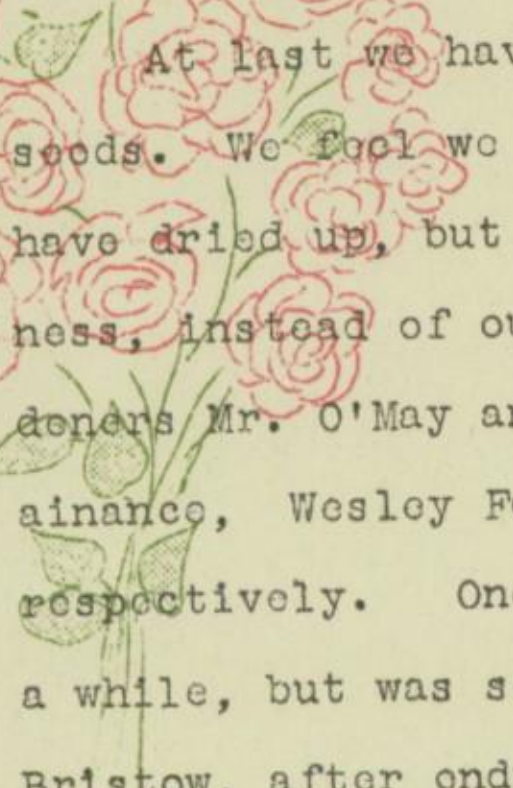
Kenny Roth, Madelyn Andrews, Ramona Oliver, and Eileen Yergler were chosen as our source of maintainance for this season and we had a lot of exciting times as we were now in full bloom and had to be careful that we weren't plucked off by too much activity. This year two gardeners were necessary, Mr. Hill and Miss Barnes, instead of Miss Habben, because we needed quite a bit of attention and careful cultivating. There were also a few weeds to pull out, namely, Lyle Irwin, Jack Ethington, David Benedict, and Eldon Zimmerman. Wesley Foor, Kenny Roth, and Junior Kuerth were much admired by flower growers for their strong athletic stems and leaves. In the same way Eileen Yergler, Alyce Rose Meiss, and Ramona Oliver, were admired for their active ability and beauty, as they tried to implant into each one the garden spirit. A flowery banquet was given by the flowerers for the seeds, who were soon to go out into the world and



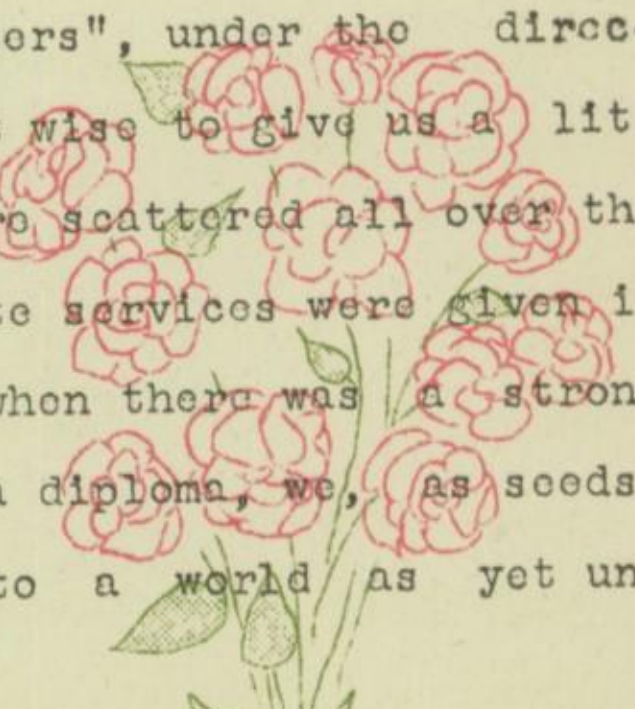


take care of themselves.

1943-44



At last we have dropped our petals and have turned to seeds. We feel we aren't looked at much anymore since we have dried up, but people will soon want us for our usefulness, instead of our beauty. This year we have as our gardeners Mr. O'May and Mr. Towner, and as our source of maintenance, Wesley Fear, Myrtle Dodson and Ruth Ann Schlipf respectively. One new seed, Melva Mueller, was with us for a while, but was soon taken out of our midst again. Marilyn Bristow, after enduring the hardships of four years growth with us, also left an empty place in our cultivated spot. When our name cards and commencement invitations came we were all a little glad and all a little sad over the thought of parting with our much cherished bits of nature. We staged a very good play "The Mad Hatters", under the direction of Miss Garrity. It was thought wise to give us a little better preparation before we were scattered all over the world on our own and so baccalaureate services were given in our honor. And then the big night when there was a strong wind, and, with the presentation of a diploma, we, as seeds, were blown from our happy gardens into a world as yet unknown to us.







# SENIOR FAVORITES

Name and Nickname	Subject	Club or Activity	Sport	Ambition
Georgiana Brushie	English Literature	Music	Roller Skating	Be a good wife
Myrtle Myrt	Typing	G.A.A.	Basketball	Stenographer
Kenneth G. Kenny	General Science	Music	Basketball	Knight of the Road
Donald Z. Tapey	English II	Music	Basketball	Orchestra Maestro
Clara Clarence	Ancient History	Home Ec Club	Basketball	Cartoonist
Alyce Rose None	Typing & Shorthand	G.A.A.	Football	Receptionist For Doctor
Esther Ickies	Typing & Biology	Physical Ed.	Basketball	R.N.
Anna Lou Annie	English Literature	G.A.A.	Basketball	Stewardess
Kenneth R. Dave	English IV	None	Baseball	President
Ruth Ann Ruthie	Shorthand	F.H.A.	Basketball	Secretary
Donald G. Don	Algebra	F.F.A.	Basketball	Farmer
Eileen Ike	English Literature	G.A.A. & F.H.A.	Basketball	Air Stewardess
Marilyn Boom Boom	Home Ec.	Home Ec. G.A.A.	Roller Skating	Beauty Operator

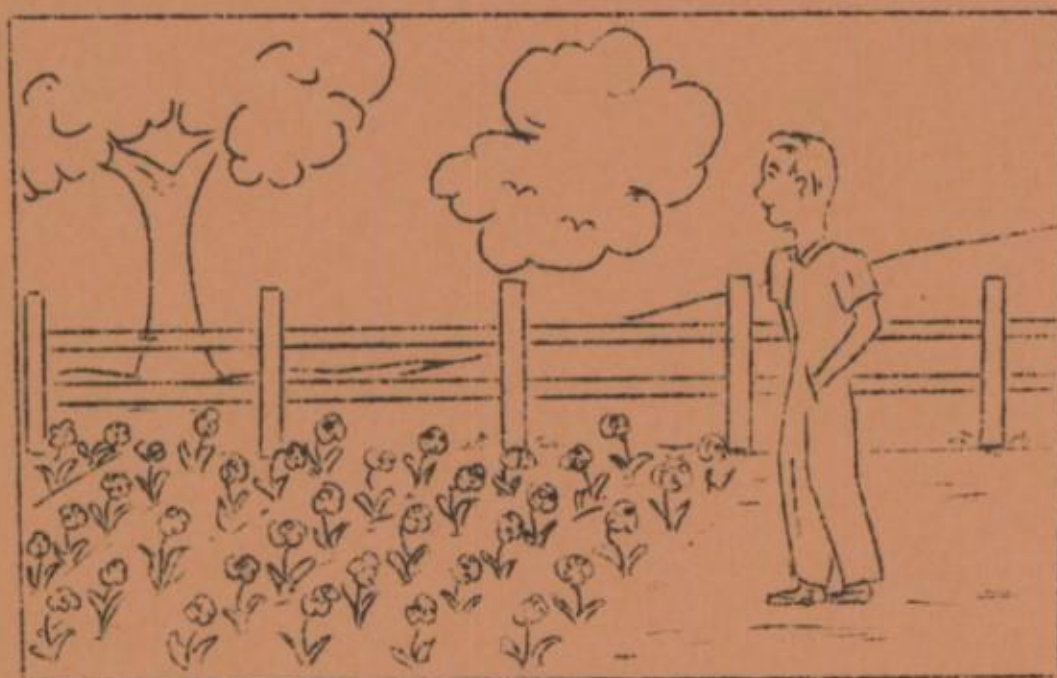


# SENIOR FAVORITES

Name and Nickname	Subject	Favorite		
		Club or Activity	Sport	Ambition
Junior- June	Biology	Sports	Basketball	Doctor
Mary V.- Jenk	Biology	G.A.A.	Basketball	Embalmer
Joan- Jo & Stew	Physics	G.A.A.	Football	R.N.
Madelyn- Blondie	English	Newspaper	Football	Journalist
Henry Hank	English IV	F.F.A.	Basketball	Farmer
Ramona- Monie	English	G.A.A.	Ice Skating	Journalist
Bernice Barnice	Typing	Physical Education	Basketball	R..N.
Wesley- Wes	Physics	Basketball	Basketball	Aviation



# C L A S S e s



Junior



Sophomore



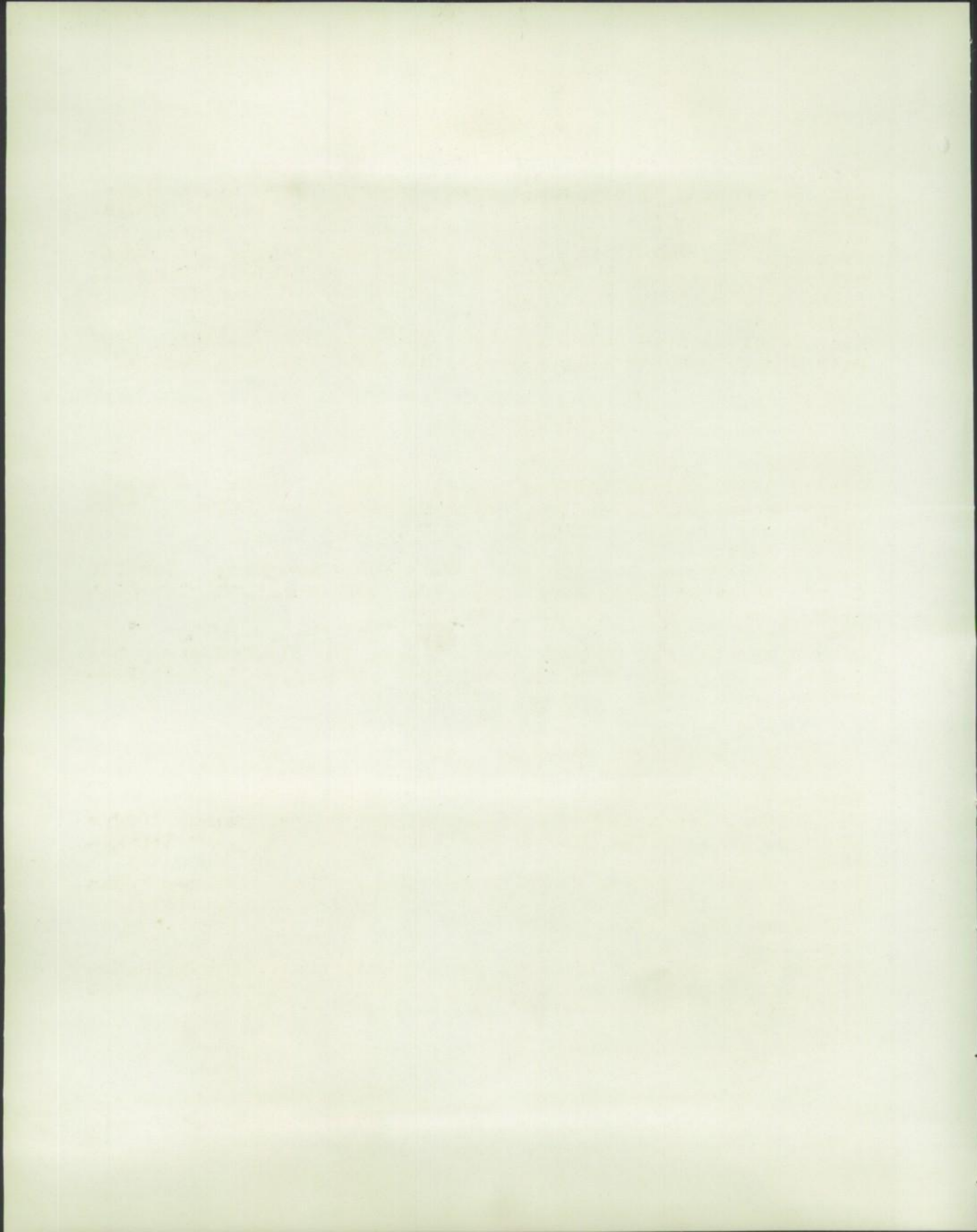
Freshman













## JUNIOR CLASS

### Back Row:

Evan Bertsche, Ty Kaufman, John Murray, Larry Ellenberger, Ralph Klopfenstein, Victor Rich, Nelson Funk, Robert Gramm.

### Middle Row:

Jean Schlipf, Charlotte Dodson, Jeanne McCullough, Jane Cornwell, Charlotte Hodel, Winifred Fenton, Catherine Slagell, Bobby Heiple, Billy Helbling.

### Front Row:

Miss Garrity, Lyle Zehr, Rosemary Whisman, Bud Hoobler, Kenneth Gerig, Carlton Klopfenstein, Bob Kearney, Miss Hayes.

## SOPHOMORE CLASS

### Back Row:

Howard Zehr, Delmar Dawson, Howard Lehmann, James Ringger, Floyd Meiss, Gene McKinley, Herbert Gramm, Joe Hayes, John Kahle.

### Middle Row:

Betty Shanebrook, Maralon Kent, Kathleen Zimmerman, Lucille Kuntz, Virginia King, Helen Schlipf, Joan Kuerth, Shirley Rich, Helen Rinkenberger, Aldene Zimmerman.

### Front Row:

Miss Hepperly, Mae Turgeon, Bill Hayes, Joe Ellenberger, Roberta Kuerth, Lois Bristow, Marguerite Kronos, Ellen Rinkenberger, Ruth Gramm, Eleanor Rinkenberger.

## FRESHMAN CLASS

### Back Row:

Don Keifer, Terry Kearney, Edson Keifer, Wilber Haase, Roger Kaufman, Duane Guth, Everett Martin, Dean Mulligan, Leo Reeves.

### Middle Row:

Gerry Yergler, Valera Kemp, Le Ann Roth, Thelma Hibbs, Jean Roth, Wilma King, Katherine Miller, Kathleen Grusy, Patricia Ethington, Zelda Benedict.

### Front Row:

Stanley Hauser, Jack Bristow, June McCullough, John Diggle, Mr. Hill, Miriam O'May, Marie Jenson, Sarah, Don Fleming, Harold McKinley.

THE FIRST

It was a fine day, the sun was shining, and the birds were singing. I was walking in the park, and I saw a little boy playing with a ball. He was very happy, and he was playing with a ball. I saw a little girl playing with a doll. She was very happy, and she was playing with a doll. I saw a little boy playing with a ball. He was very happy, and he was playing with a ball. I saw a little girl playing with a doll. She was very happy, and she was playing with a doll.

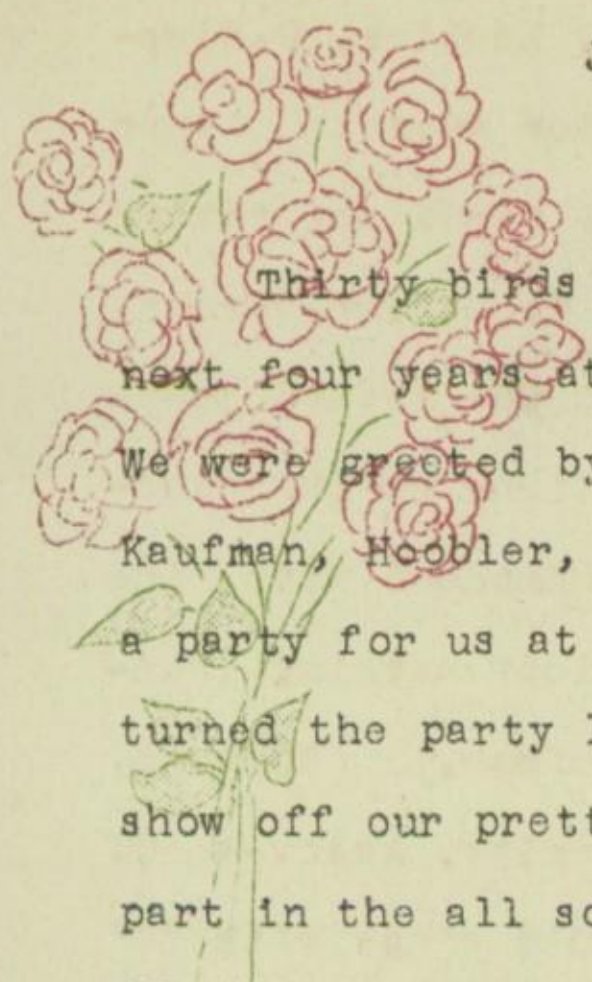
THE SECOND

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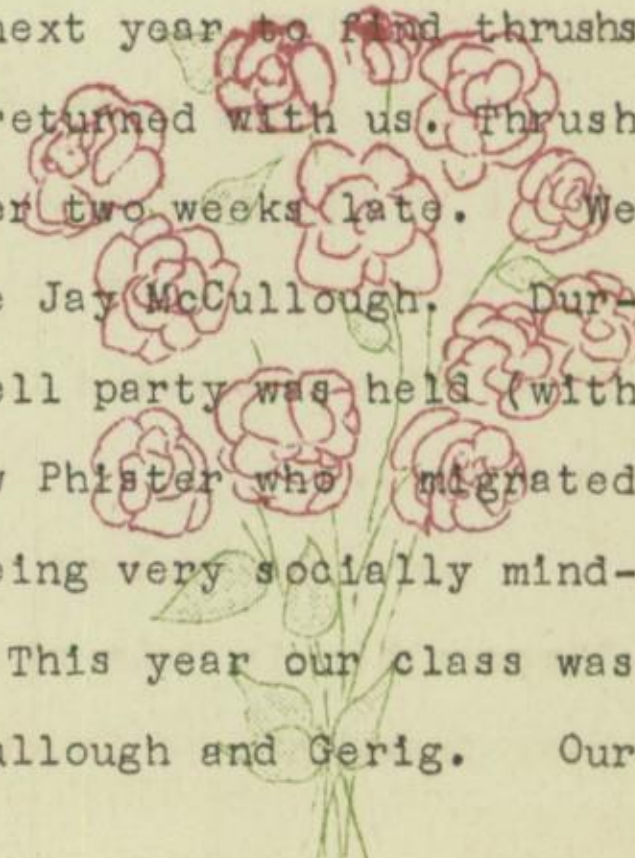
## JUNIOR CLASS HISTORY

1941-42

Thirty birds of various species arrived to spend the next four years at the aviary of G. C. H. S. in Sept. 1941. We were greeted by our keeper Habbin. Our flock was led by Kaufman, Hoobler, Cornwell, and Gerig. The older birds held a party for us at the conservatory at Lake Bloomington. We returned the party later on, by giving another at the Gym. To show off our pretty feathers, we gave a style show as our part in the all school party. Blackbird G. Murray left our flock to return to his nest. Goose Northcutt migrated South to a warmer climate. Blue bird Cleary flew in to join our flock.

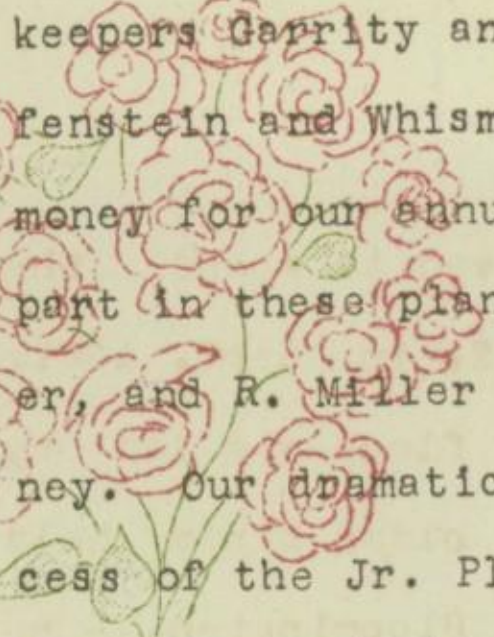
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We returned from our nests the next year to find thrushes Imthurn, Bleek, and Hoobler had not returned with us. Thrush Hoobler flew in on a wing and a prayer two weeks late. We added one new bird to our flock, Blue Jay McCullough. During the middle of this season a farwell party was held (with the help of the older birds) for Crow Phister who migrated West. We gained the reputation of being very socially minded, because of our monthly parties. This year our class was led by Kaufman, C. Klopfenstein, McCullough and Gerig. Our Keeper Satterfield watched over us.





1943-44



We were met this year from over summer migration by keepers Garrity and Hayes and led by Gerig, Hoobler, C. Klopfenstein and Whisman. We had great plans for ways to earn money for our annual festivities. The only birds not taking part in these plans were Bluebirds Cleary, H. Miller, Gardner, and R. Miller who were not able to make the return journey. Our dramatic ability was brought to light by the success of the Jr. Play "Health, Wealth, and Romance" with the help of the Mocking Birds Gerig, Heiple, Klopfenstein, Fenton, McCullough, Cornwell, Ellenberger, Kaufman, Whisman, Rich, Hoobler, Schlipf, Director-Keeper Garrity, Asst.-- C. Klopfenstein. Our flock was banded with gold rings with "G" on the crest for our Aviary.

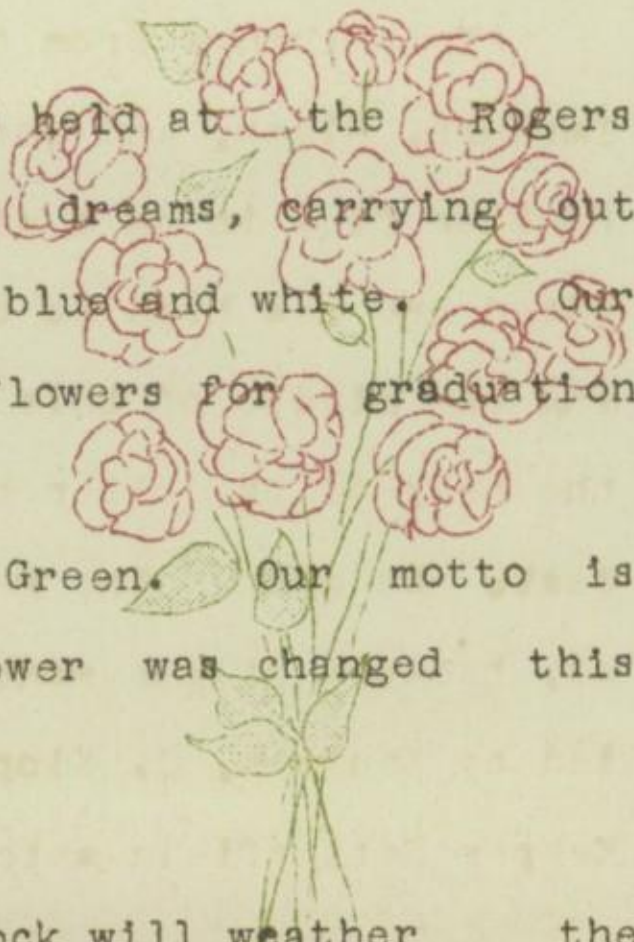
To cheer our athletics to victories, Scarlet Tanager, Slagel was chosen as cheerleader for the coming year. We won a demerit contest and were honored with a party for our good behavior.

The annual bird seed banquet was held at the Rogers Hotel in Bloomington. Our theme was dreams, carrying out the class colors of the older birds, blue and white. Our flock also decorated the stage with flowers for graduation exercises.

Our class colors are Orchid and Green. Our motto is "Impossible is UnAmerican". Our flower was changed this year from Iris to Sweetpea.

1944-45

We hope all the birds in our flock will weather the storms and be able to make the return flight back next fall.





## HEALTH, WEALTH AND ROMANCE

On Wednesday, November 17, the Junior Class, under the direction of Miss Garrity, presented the three-act farce, "Health, Wealth and Romance".

The cast was as follows:

"Terror" Tripp---Owner of the House of Health---Ty Kaufman

"Whinnie" More-----Who knows the answer-----Kenneth Gerig

"Slappy" Wertz-----Who wants the answer-----Victor Rich

Rosa Duval-----His Girl-friend-----Rosemary Whisman

Charlie Keenan---An innocent bystander---Ralph Klopfenstein

Sylvester-----His valet-----Larry Ellenberger

Katie Van Loom---A health-conscious spinster--Jane Cornwell

Madge Van Loom-----Their Neice-----Bobby Heiple

Beth Shepherd-----Madge's Chum-----Winifred Fenton

Millie Van Loom-----Katie's Sister-----Jeanne McCullough

Freckles-----Hotel errand-boy-----Bud Hoobler

Wilma Anderson-----Maid of all work-----Jean Schliff

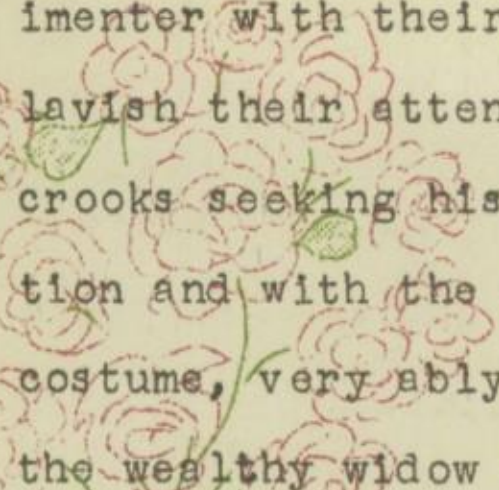
Business Manager-----Charlotte Dodson

Prompter-----Carlton Klopfenstein

To the House of Health, owned by the exercising-loving "Terror", comes the exercise-loathing "Whinnie", not to enjoy the calisthenics and carrots regime of "Terror" but to hide. For "Whinnie" has the secret answer to the \$10,000 contest sponsored by his employer, the sales manager of Palsy-Walsy Potato Chip Company, and as "Whinnie" says, "What wouldn't some people do for \$10,000?".

To the same place comes Charlie, whom "Whinnie" recognizes as an old college friend. With him is his valet, Sylvester, upon which timid and bewildered individual, the Van

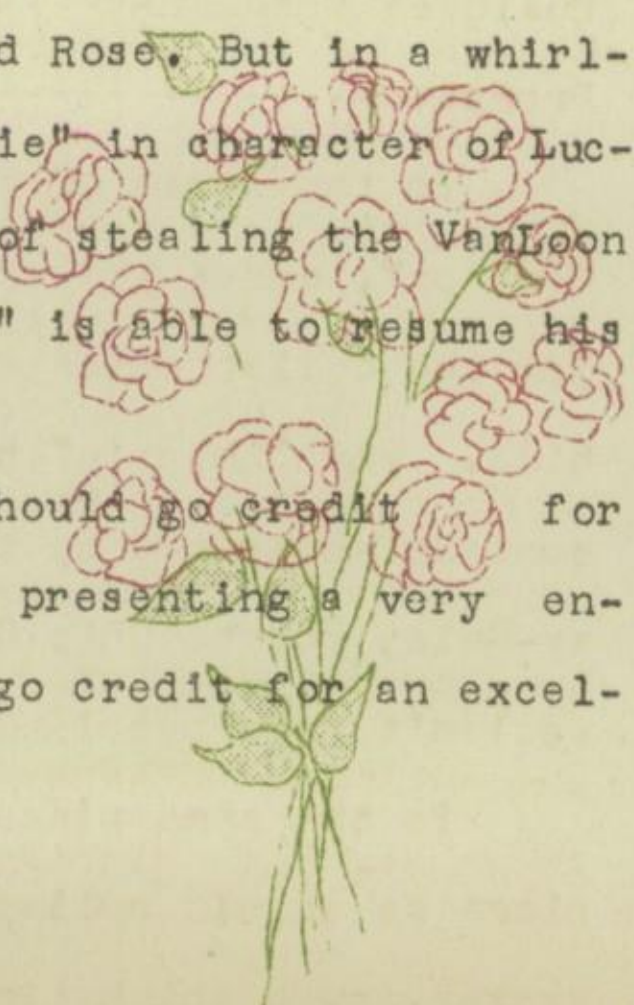




Loom sisters, mistaking him for a noted dietitian and exper-  
imenter with their beloved spinach and celery juice diet,  
lavish their attentions. To avoid his imminent discovery by  
crooks seeking his secret, "Whinnie", at Charlie's sugges-  
tion and with the aid of a blond wig and a "gay nineties"  
costume, very ably disguises himself as Lucretia Klondike  
the wealthy widow of an Alaskan gold miner.

In the meantime Madge, "Whinnie's" fiancée, and Beth, a  
friend of Charlie's, arrive at the hotel. In order to pac-  
ify Madge, who is enraged because of his failure to meet her  
at the inn, "Whinnie" is forced to make some very quick  
changes of character, which intrigue that ever-suspicious  
amateur "detectative", Freckles, who is kept in tow by Wilma.  
to further "Whinnie's" troubles, "Terror" and Sylvester, at-  
tracted by the widow's purported millions, ardently pursue  
"her". The Gangsters after the secret arrive in the persons  
of the Slangy and scrappy "Slappy" and Rose. But in a whirl-  
wind finish all ends well, for "Whinnie" in character of Luc-  
retia knocks out "Slappy" in the act of stealing the VanLoon  
jewels, the contest ends, and "Whinnie" is able to resume his  
own character and romance with Madge.

To all the members of the cast should go credit for  
carrying out their parts capably and presenting a very en-  
joyable play; to Miss Garrity should go credit for an excel-  
lent job of play direction.





## SOPHOMORE HISTORY

### Freshman Year

In September 1942, thirty-three green little seeds were planted at Gridley High, but they had great hopes of things to accomplish. When the seeds began to sprout they were initiated by the Sophomores at the lake.

The front row of plants to lead the growth were for half the year Bob McCain, Erlene Gerig, and Roberta Kuerth. The last half of the year Joe Ellenberger, Paul Reeves, and Joan Kuerth took over. The gardener was Miss Obraskja.

Bob McCain, Kenny Stahley, and Alvin Rediger, and Erlene Gerig were transplanted and Lois Bristow and Virginia King were planted in their places.

### Sophomore Year

In September 1943, thirty-two stems came out of the ground again only this time they blossomed.

In front row this year were Joe Ellenberger, Roberta Kuerth and Bill Hayes. The gardener being Miss Hepperly.

Kenny Stahley, and Lois Bristow returned to the plot during the year, and Alice Mae Peffinger, and Marie Breese left it.

The plants were quite active; they brought in over a hundred pounds of fat for the drive and gave the Freshmen a hard battle in the egg drive. The class also put on two one act plays for a P.T.A. benefit. In addition they had lots of fun at their parties. They plan on being together to grow through two more glorious years.



## FRESHMAN CLASS HISTORY

On September 3, 1943, thirty-three bewildered freshman were enrolled as full-fledged members of the Gridley Community High School. It didn't take us long, however, to become accustomed to high school routine.

During the course of the year we had the sad misfortune of losing our classmate and secretary-treasurer, Shirley Funk, through death. She suffered an attack of appendicitis which was followed by complications. Our class underwent a severe loss when she passed away.

Initiation day was held on September 10, 1943 on which all freshmen had to dress as the sophomores told us. Among the most striking costumes were a negro with tattered clothing and a boy dressed as a girl with curls in his hair. Despite the fact we were quite self-conscious, I believe we had as much fun as the rest of the students did watching us. That night the Freshman-Sophomore party took place at Lake Bloomington. We arrived quaking in our boots, but our fears were appeased when we discovered the Sophomores had planned an entertaining evening for us. Now that we have an idea of what "hazing" is we intend to avenge ourselves on next years class.

Several weeks later the Freshmen gave a return party for the Sophomores. It was a Halloween motif and everyone came in masquerade costume. Later costumes were doffed and games were played followed by refreshments.

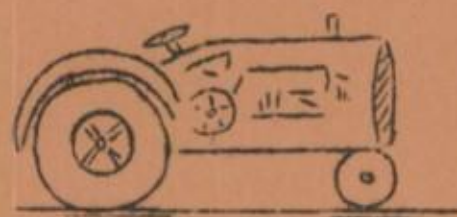
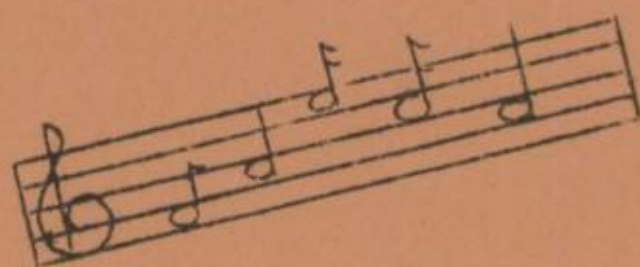
After several weeks had passed the Freshmen had a volley ball party and were permitted to invite one guest. The evening ended with refreshments.

The freshman class was well represented on the different athletic teams. Several of our boys appear to be up and coming track stars and also make a good showing on the basketball floor. The freshmen girls aren't to be forgotten either. They placed third over the sophomore girls in the G. A. A. basketball tournament.

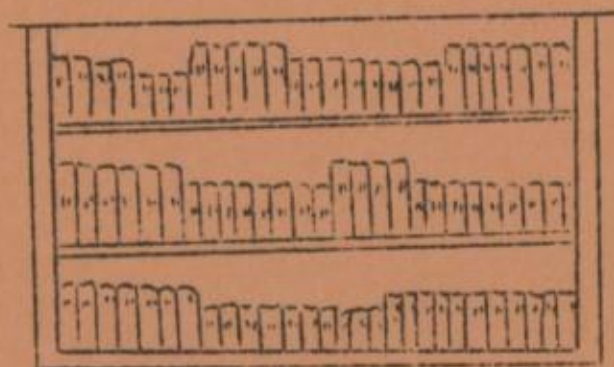
In addition our class made a creditable showing in the egg drive, in the fat drive, in the magazine campaign, and in the demerit race sponsored by the Student Council.

After all is said and done, this has been an enjoyable year for the freshmen. We only hope that as sophomores we will have as profitable a year as we did this year.





# Activities



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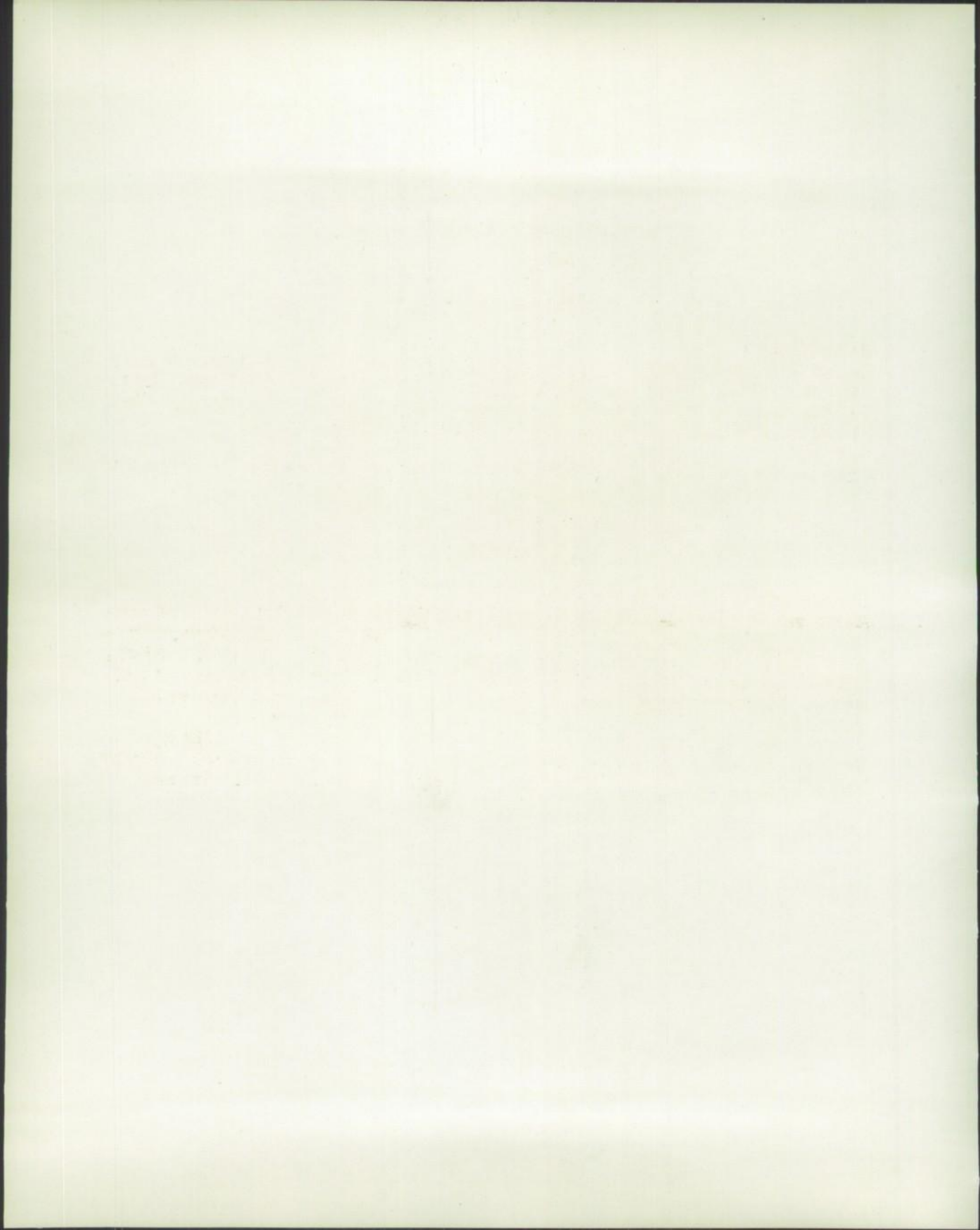


29th July 1931  
Dear Sir,  
I have the pleasure to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 27th inst. in relation to the above matter.  
The same has been forwarded to the appropriate authorities for their consideration.  
Yours faithfully,  
[Signature]











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Standing:

Helen Rinkenberger, Joan Kuerth, Mr. Towner, Mae Turgeon, Ty Kaufman, Bud Hoobler, Larry Ellenberger, Roger Kaufman, Evan Bertsche, Jean McCullough, Ramona Oliver, Mary Wilfong, Joan Steward, Kenneth Gramm, Alyce Meiss, Miss Garrity.

Seated:

Charlotte Dodson, Jane Cornwell, Madelyn Andrews, Georgianna Brush, Carlton Klopfenstein, Ralph Klopfenstein.

### Pylon Staff

Standing:

Bernice Stalter, Ruth Ann Schlipf, Evan Bertsche, Clara Andrews, Ty Kaufman, Catherine Slagell, Marilyn Bristow, Carlton Klopfenstein, Mr. O'May, Jean McCullough, Victor Rich, Myrtle Dodson, Ralph Klopfenstein, Joan Kuerth, Jane Cornwell, Henry Stortz, Don Gramm, Mary Wilfong, Mr. Towner.

Seated:

Joan Steward, Georgianna Brush, Eileen Yergler, Charlotte Dodson, Junior Kuerth, Esther Eigsti, Ramona Oliver, Alyce Rose Meiss, Anna Lou Kuerth, Kenneth Roth, Kenneth Gramm.







## THE GRIDLITE

The Gridlite season of 1943-44 proved to be a variety of mood and colors. There were a variety of patterns used. Orchids go to the little lady with the magic powers, our artist, Miss Dodson. The school paper staff harmonized together very well and under the guidance of the Editor the finished product was as a rule "tops". Gardenias to Mr. I. C.U., who made himself a favorite among the student body. It was Miss Oliver and her two reliable stooges, Bud and Mae who relayed the interesting news on to Mr. I.C.U.

The editorial page shone through rain and snow and Miss Cornwell, as you probably agree, had a variety of interesting ideas. Business managers, Georgianna Brush and Evan Bertsche displayed their ability at managing and the financial status of the company was "all-high".

Ty Kaufman, Joan Steward, Helen Rinkenberger and Poke Kaufman were the class reporters, who initiated new ideas with the amazing speed of the West wind.

Joan Kuerth and Georgiana Brush shared honors as roving reporters and it is always interesting to see the students reaction to questions. Don't you agree?

Dandelions to the staff for their prosperous year and best wishes to next-years staff.



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<u>Advisors</u> .....	Mr. Towner and Mr. O'May

As a result of the existing wartimes condition and shortage of material, the Pylon Staff was confronted with many obstacles. The fifth issue was mimeographed as was the preceeding one and it also became necessary to sell more books than was originally planned.

The Staff wishes to thank the students, subscribers, and faculty--especially Mr. Towner for his untiring and excellent supervising of the mimeographing, and Mr. O'May for his efforts toward making the annual what it is. We also thank the Typing II class for their assistance in putting out the annual.

We sincerely hope that you will find recorded within these pages the memories of joyful moments experienced at Gridley Community High School.



## F. F. A.

### Back Row:

Robert Gramm, Gene McKinley, Duane Guth, Kenneth Roth, Wilber Haase, Howard Lehmann, Don Keifer, Terry Kearney.

### Middle Row:

Lyle Zehr, Don Gramm, John Diggle, Howard Zehr, Paul Reeves, Stanley Hauser, Harold McKinley, Dean Mulligan, Kenneth Gramm, Joe Hayes, Herbert Gramm.

### Front Row:

Bill Hayes, Mr. Satterfield, Bob Kearney, Henry Stortz, Kenneth Gerig, Floyd Meiss, Donald Zehr.

## HOME EC.

### Back Row:

Pat Ethington, Katherine Miller, Lois Bristow, Winifred Fenon, Wilma King, Helen Schlipf, Charlotte Hodel, Virginia King, Rosemary Whisman, Jean Roth, Thelma Hibbs.

### Third Row:

Roberta Kuerth, Helen Rinkenberger, Anna Lou Kuerth, Gerry Yergler, Kathleen Grusy, Le Ann Roth, Eileen Yergler, Marion Kent, Valera Kemp, Zelda Benedict.

### Second Row:

Marie Jenson, Marguerite Krones, Kathleen Zimmerman, Marilyn Bristow, Clara Andrews, Jean Schlipf, Georgiana Hughes, Bobby Heiple, Joan Steward, Aldene Zimmerman, Ruth Gramm.

### First Row:

Miriam O'May, Sarah Funk, Shirley Rich, Ruth Ann Schlipf, Miss Hepperly, Alyce Rose Meiss, Catherine Slagell, Ellen Rinkenberger, Myrtle Dodson.





## HISTORY OF HOME EC. CLUB

It's not "Little man you've had a busy day", but it's "Little Club you've had a busy year!"

With a strong membership the year was begun with a weiner roast to acquaint the freshmen with the purposes of the club.

At the October meeting the officers were formally installed and the new members initiated in a candlelight service.

Another interesting evening was spent making "junk jewelry" out of corks, ice-cream spoons, candle wax and etc.

One of the highlights was to have been a Christmas Party for the Children of the Salem Orphanage. At that time the flu was making the rounds and at the last week we received a phone call saying they would not be able to come. However they still received their presents and there must have been some happy youngsters on Christmas morning.

Mr. Hill talked at another meeting on his hobby of wood working. His beautiful collection was a real treat to see. Club members also brought their hobbies.

Rolling Red Cross bandages, a pot-luck supper, a Mother-Daughter party, and a F.F.A. party were other events enjoyed.

A summary of the Future Homemakers Association activities would not be complete without mentioning their Fat Salvage drive. The sophomores won the prize. We collected 412 lbs. of grease. With this money we bought a mirror and hurricane lamps for our new buffet, when on a 'field trip' to Bloomington.

## HOME EC. PARTIES

The first Home Ec. Party was held in Hoobler's Pasture. A weiner roast; cold lemonade, and a watermelon were enjoyed by all.

Maxine Kent, a graduate of 1943, gave a very interesting talk on her visit to summer camp.

On November 4, the second Home Ec. Party was held in the Lab. The girls who attended the State Home Ec. Conference at Minonk gave reports on the activities they took in. Alyce announced the Clubs schedule for the remainder of the year.

The evening was spent in making necklaces, bracelets, and pins, after which refreshments of popcorn balls and punch were served.

The new members of the Home Ec. Club were initiated during the party held October 14, 1943 in the Home Ec. Lab.



Betty Shanebrook was chairman of the game committee. We divided into groups of five, headed by Georgiana Brush, Jeanne McCullough, Anna Lou Kuerth, Thelma Hibbs, and Charlotte Hodel, and each group selected four songs which they acted out: Georgiana Brush's group won. Several games of Bingo were then played with Roberta Kuerth winning the first prize and Catherine Slagell winning the booby prize.

The refreshment committee served us Orange Sherbert and butter cookies.

The fourth Home Ec. Party was held January 6. Everyone gathered around to hear about Mr. Hill's Hobby, which is woodcarving.

Others hobbies were displayed on tables for the members to see. These hobbies consisted of several stamp collections, a pencil collection and some interesting scrap books.

Refreshments of cocoa and doughnuts were served the latter part of the evening.

#### HOME ECONOMICS FRESHMAN PARTY

Back to their baby days went the freshman on February 28, 1944, when they entertained the first graders with a party. Who was more excited, was hard to discover. The first graders, with their scrubbed faces and party outfits, were enthusiastically greeted by the girls, who were awaiting them in the Home Ec. room.

This was a party planned as part of a child care unit. Each girl was responsible for one child and played with them in the games. The group was then seated at the tables for refreshments and the enjoyment of clever "bunny" favors made of marshmallows.

On the night of March 2, 1944 the Home Economics Club girls had a pot-luck supper at 7:30 in the Home Ec. Room. After the supper the girls who didn't go to the Regional Basketball game in Chenoa, stayed and played different games.

On the date of April 4, 1944, the Home Ec. Club took a Field trip to Bloomington. The girls left on the bus at 1 o'clock. After arriving they toured the Mennonite Hospital. They divided into groups and each group had a special guide. Next, they went to a style show at Roland's store of fashion. After it was over, they visited the Baby Fold at Normal. From there they went back to Bloomington and bought a mirror at Ensenbergers with the money received from the fat drive. Then they came to Gridley on the bus. They all had an enjoyable time.



## F.F.A.

The Future Farmers of America is a nationwide organization of boys who are taking vocational agriculture and carrying full time livestock or ag projects as a part of their agricultural study.

We have twenty-nine boys in the FFA this year, carrying the same number of projects. Record books closed Jan. 1, on last years' projects showed a total income (for twenty-one projects), of \$6,650.70, at a feed and labor cost of \$4,777.14. Total labor and management earnings were \$2,778.52, an average of \$132.21 per project. The ten swine projects alone netted, for labor and management \$1842.38.

The FFA holds meetings once each month for business and recreation. The highlight of this years recreational project was the FFA-Home Ec club theatre party at the Chenoa Theatre. "Look Who's Laughing" with Fibber McGee & Molly was the feature.

The State FFA conference at Champaign was attended in June, 1943, by the elected delegates, Edward Gramm, Keith Roth, Orlyn Frey (alternate) and Mr. Satterfield, Advisor. The 1944 conference of FFA was attended by delegates Robert Kearney and Kenneth Gerig, alternate Dean Mulligan, and the advisor Mr. Satterfield. Two nights were spent in the Inman Hotel this year, which was something of a novelty for the delegates.

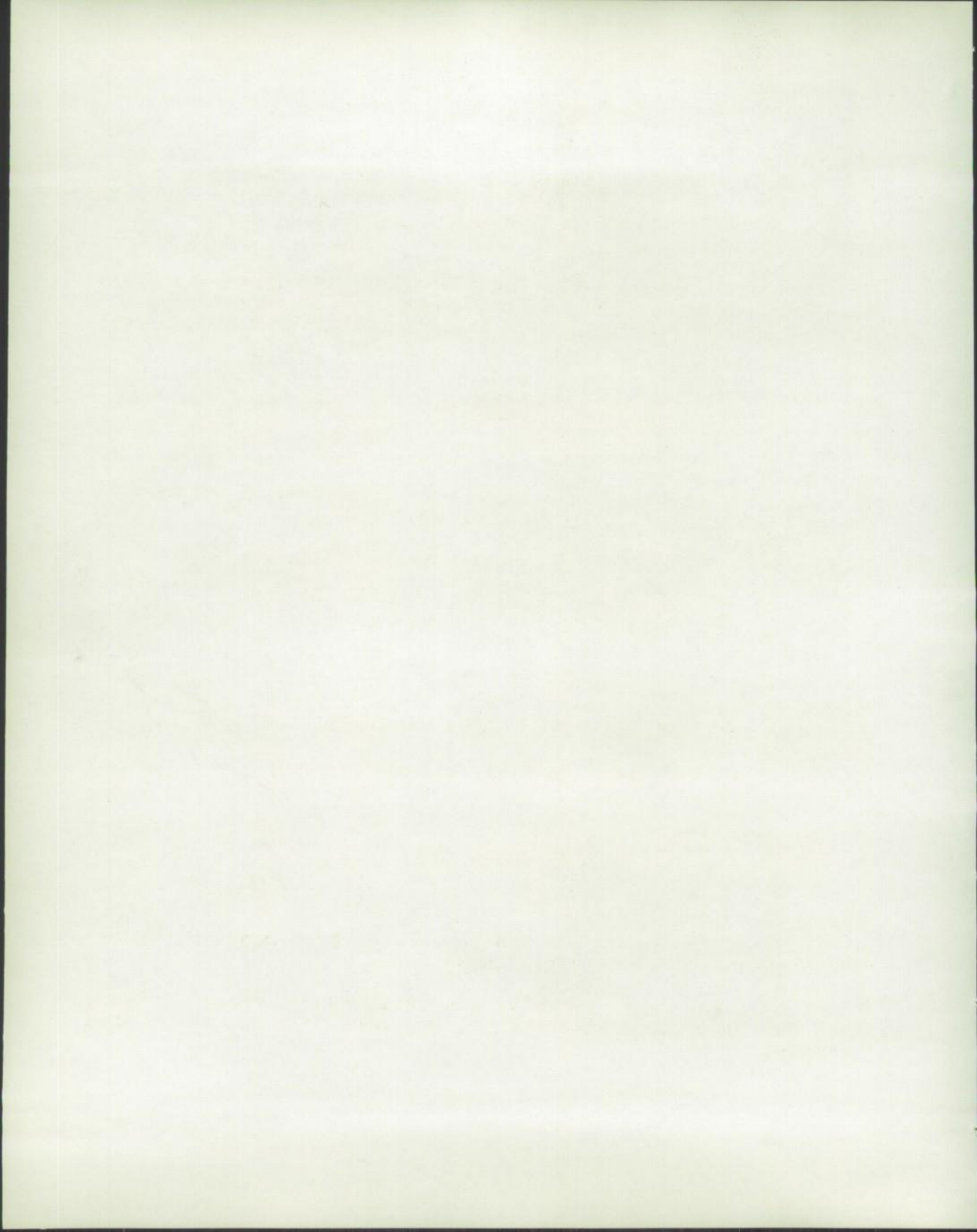
The FFA undertook the selling of one hundred fifty dollars worth of seeds to raise treasury funds this year and were successful in the effort.

The officers for this year are: Henry Stortz, Pres.; Bob Kearney, Vice Pres.; Ken Gerig, Secretary; Floyd Meiss, Treasurer; William Hayes, Reporter; Mr. Harold Satterfield, Advisor.











## STUDENT COUNCIL

### Back Row:

Bud Hoobler, Dean Mulligan, Joe Ellenberger, Howard Lehmann, Floyd Meiss, Larry Ellenberger, Carlton Klopfenstein, Kenneth Gerig, Catherine Slagell, Rosemary Whisman, Jane Cornwell, Miriam O'May, Leo Reeves, Jack Bristow.

### Front Row:

Mr. Shinpaugh, Roberta Kuerth, Evan Bertsche, Tyrus Kaufman, Wes Foor, Henry Stortz, Kenneth Roth, Junior Kuerth, Anna Lou Kuerth, Joan Steward, Alyce Meiss, Georgianna Brush, Mr. O'May.

## SPEECH CONTESTANTS

### Back Row:

Bud Hoobler, Kenneth Roth, Miss Garrity, Carlton Klopfenstein, Tyrus Kaufman.

### Front Row:

Ramona Oliver, Madelyn Andrews, Jane Cornwell.

## LIBRARIANS

### Back Row:

Ruth Ann Schlipf, Miss Hayes, Jane Cornwell.

### Front Row:

Bernice Stalter, Clara Andrews, Eileen Yergler.

## JUNIOR PLAY CAST

### Seated:

Carlton Klopfenstein, Bud Hoobler, Ralph Klopfenstein, Winifred Fenton, Bobby Heiple, Victor Rich.

### Standing:

Kenneth Gerig, Jane Cornwell, Jean McCullough, Tyrus Kaufman, Jean Schlipf, Larry Ellenberger, Rosemary Whisman, and Miss Garrity.







## STUDENT COUNCIL

Under the Constitution set up a year ago this spring, the new Student Council of G.C.H.S. got under way early in the fall. As our advisor we elected Mr. O'May and began activities immediately. The first of these was supervision of cheerleader election for the coming year. This was carried out by secret ballot through all the home rooms.

An entire meeting was devoted to suggestive ideas on improving our school. Lengthening the noon hour was the first successful step in this direction. By a majority of votes, an hour was allotted with the last period of the day running until 4:20.

The outstanding accomplishment of our Student Council for the year was a campaign to raise money. By selling Curtis Publication and other popular magazines the school sold a total of over \$400 with a net profit to the Student Council of \$174. Numerous prizes were awarded to various students in accordance with the number of subscriptions turned in.

A two weeks' citizenship campaign came next on the list of activities of this organization. Students were demerited of different misdeameanors while on the school premises. This contest resulted with the Junior Class as winners, their class having the fewest demerits to their credit. A party in their honor was held towards the end of the year.

A decision was reached on how to spend at least a portion of the profits from magazine sales. The school already has part of the equipment necessary for a public address system and the Student Council is planning to purchase the remainder of the material to complete this system.

Officers who served during the year were as follows:

President--Ramona Oliver  
Vice Pres--Ty Kaufman  
Secretary--Robertta Kuerth  
Treasurer--Evan Bertsche



## LIBRARIANS

To furnish information and to provide enjoyable reading for all the students have been the purposes of the school library. In accomplishing these purposes the library for a number of years has built up a good stock of reference material and of interesting fiction and non-fiction. This list has been increased this year, and considerable work done on library records. To the student librarians, who generously gave of their study time to help in charging out books, we owe our appreciation. The following served this year: Ruth Ann Schlipf, Jane Cornwell, Clara Andrews, Eileen Yergler, and Bernice Stalter.

## SPEECH CLASS

There was no regular speech class this year, but some of the students, because they were interested in this work, asked for special help and with the coaching of Miss. Garrity, prepared for the sectional and county literary contests outside of school.

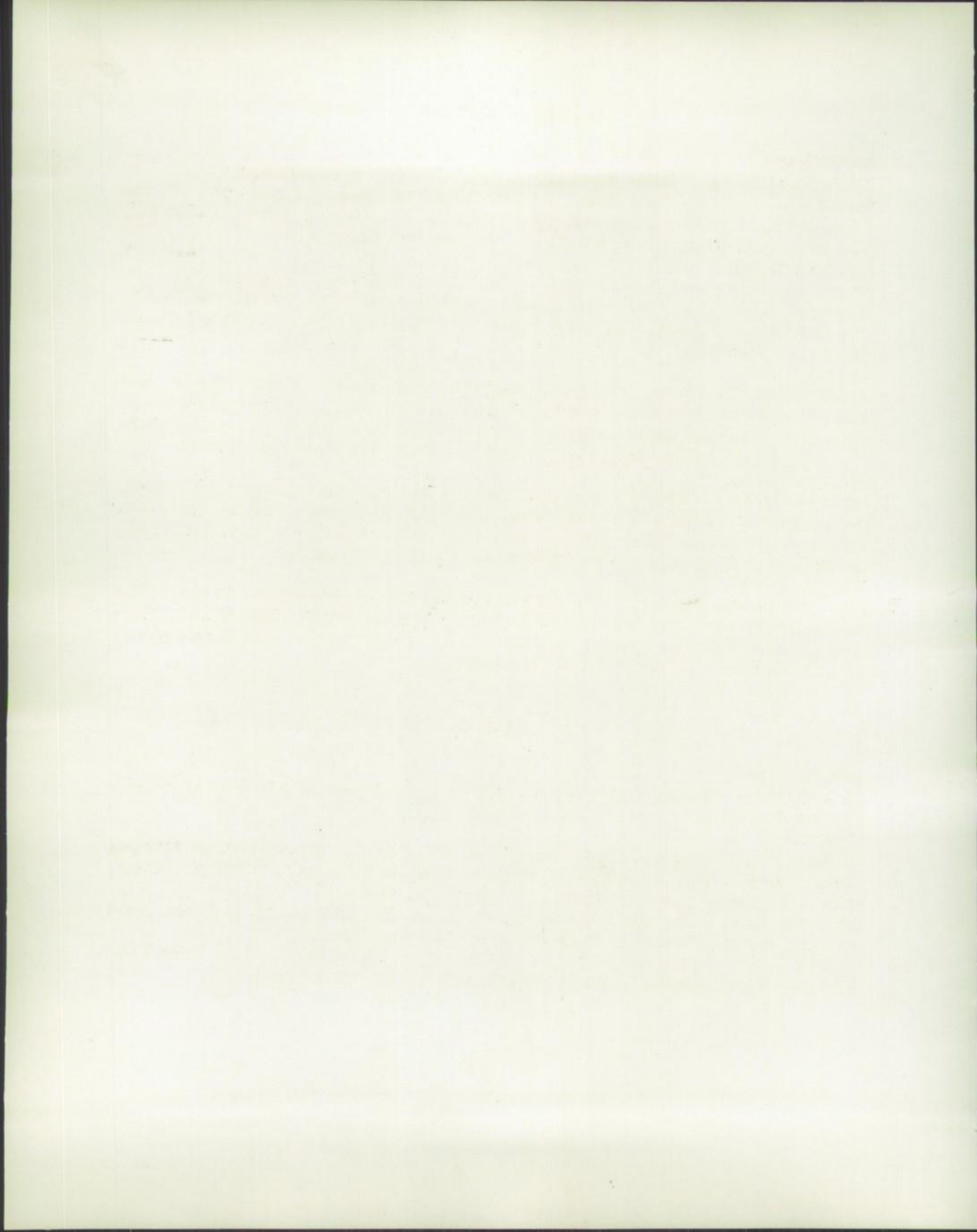
Three of the girls attended the Sectional Contest held at Gilman on March 25. Romona Oliver won first in verse reading in the B Group, Madelyn Andrews placed second in serious reading also in Group B, and Jane Cornwell represented G. C. H. S. in humorous reading.

Seven people plan to attend the County Festival on April 26. They are Jane Cornwell in girls humorous, Madelyn Andrews in serious, Ramona Oliver in essay, Tyrus Kaufman in oration, Bud Hoobler in boys humorous, Carlton Klopfenstein in extemporaneous, and Kenneth Roth in spelling.











## MIXED CHORUS

### Back Row:

Jane Cornwell, Jean Schlipf, Jean Roth, Joan Kuerth, Helen Schlipf, Rogers Kaufman, Ralph Klopfenstein, Carlton Klopfenstein, Larry Ellenberger, Charlotte Hodel, Esther Eigsti, Wilma King, Winifred Fenton, Rosemary Whisman.

### Second Row:

Shirley Rich, Valera Kemp, Katherine Miller, Ramona Oliver, Everett Martin, Evan Bertsche, Wilbur Haase, Tyrus Kaufman, Victor Rich, Mary Wilfong, Thelma Hibbs, Patricia Ethington, Roberta Kuerth.

### Third Row:

Geraldine Yergler, Zelda Benedict, Kathleen Zimmerman, Lucille Kuntz, Marylon Kent, Joe Ellenberger, Terry Kearney, Kenneth Gerig, John Diggle, Helen Rinkenberger, Jean McCullough, Catherine Slagell, Kathleen Grusy, Le Ann Roth.

### Fourth Row:

Miriam O'May, Bobby Heiple, Betty Shanebrook, Clara Andrews, Georgianna Brush, Leo Reeves, Dean Mulligan, Edson Keifer, Kenneth Gramm, Lyle Zehr, Bernice Stalter, Ruth Ann Schlipf, Charlotte Dodson, Joan Steward, Myrtle Dodson.

### Fifth Row:

Mae Turgeon, Marguerite Krones, Aldene Zimmerman, Marie Jensen, Stanley Hauser, Donald Zehr, Mr. O'May, Harold McKinley, Homer McCullough, Sarah Funk, Eleanor Rinkenberger, Ellen Rinkenberger, Lois Bristow.

## BAND

### Standing:

Mr. O'May, Donna Litwiller, Kenneth Gramm, Jean McCullough, Edson Keifer.

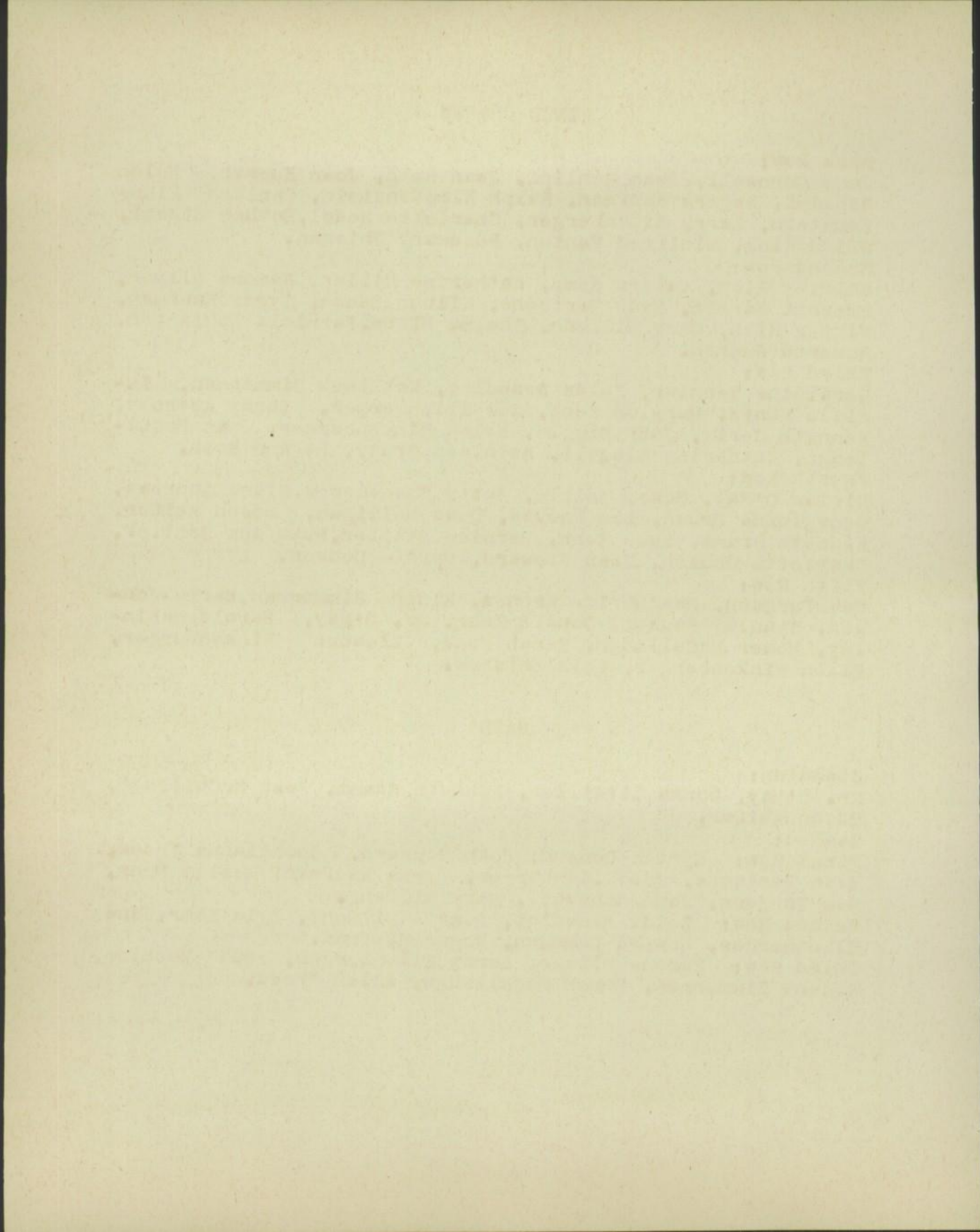
### Seated:

First Row: Myrtle Dodson, Joan Steward, Georgianna Freed, Evan Bertsche, Joe Ellenberger, Tyrus Kaufman, Wesley Foor, Mae Turgeon, Jane Cornwell, Mary Wilfong.

Second Row: Zelda Benedict, Bessie Wilfong, Lyle Zehr, Jane Ellenberger, Howard Lehmann, Roger Kaufman.

Third Row: Ramona Oliver, Larry Ellenberger, Bud Hoobler, Aldene Zimmerman, Homer McCullough, Allen Freed.







## MUSIC

The music program of the Gridley Community High School was divided between a mixed chorus, boy's chorus, girl's chorus and the band. The first three groups met during the last period of the day as a unit on Monday's and Tuesday's, while the band held its rehearsal during the last period on Wednesday and Thursday. During the second semester, the band held extra rehearsals at eight fifteen in the morning on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, because it seemed advisable to secure additional time for this organization.

Seventy students enrolled for vocal music at the beginning of the year and this number was divided into two groups for convenience of handling. In each of these groups, both girls' and boys' chorus was emphasized along with the mixed group.

Eight senior girls were chosen to sing for the Junior play as incidental music for that production. A mixed group selected from the entire chorus, was chosen to perform for, the Woman's club. On March 28 a selected mixed chorus of some forty members performed for the P. T. A. meeting and gave a grand performance. The boys of this group sang two numbers alone, the girls sang two separate numbers, and the mixed chorus sang five or six numbers. The band also gave a short program during this presentation, which was well received. The music department also furnished incidental music for the senior play and sent a group of instrumentalists as



well as vocalists to the county festival that was held at Normal on April 26. During the basketball season, the band performed for several of the home games and added a lot to the enthusiasm of the game.

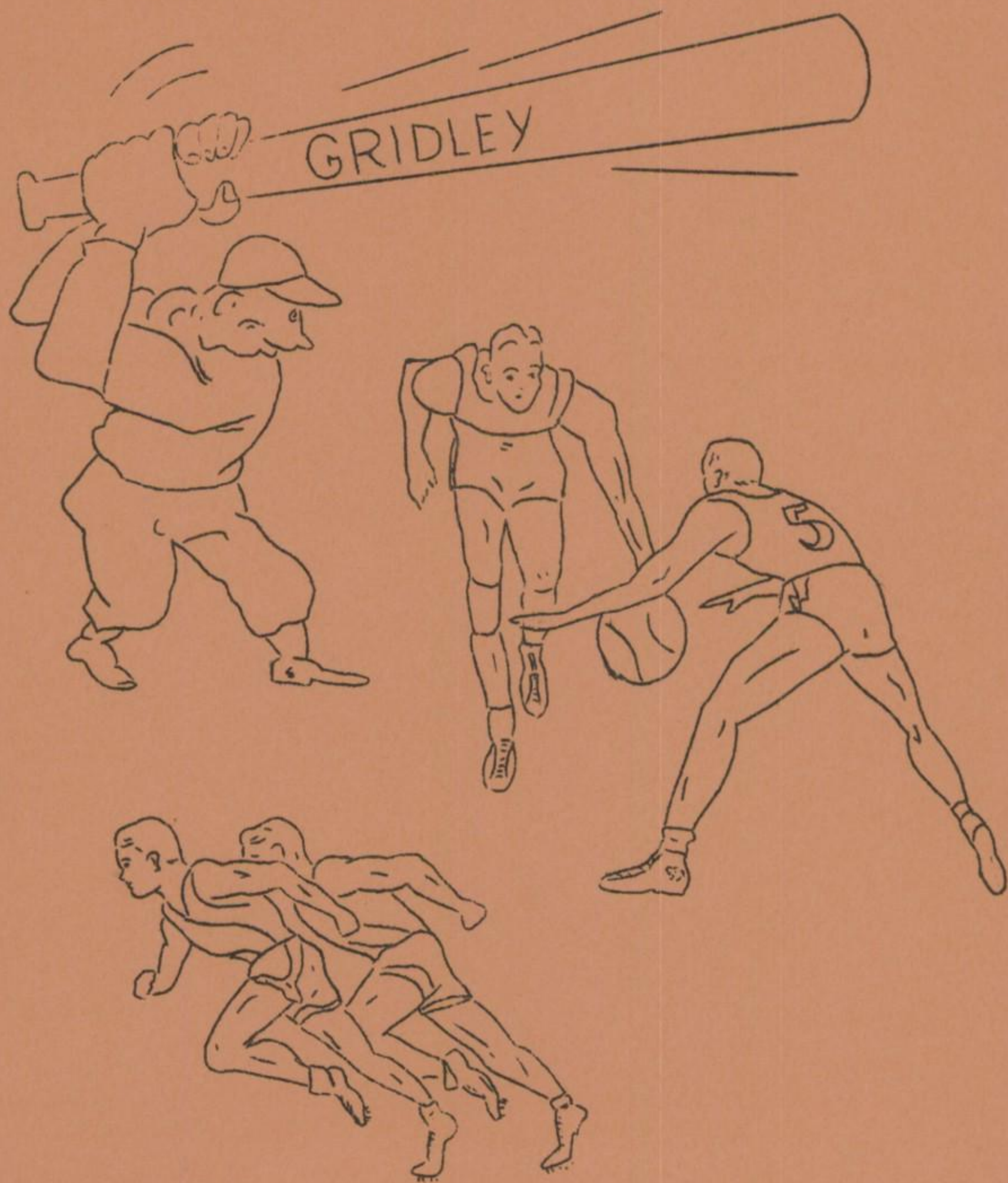
There were twenty-three members in the band this year, all of whom were players with some experience. The instrumentation consisted of trombones, cornets, clarinets, saxophone, baritone, bass, and drums. Such members as "S.I.B.A.", "Connecticut", "First Parade", marches; "Evening Shadows", Serenade; "Pacific Moon" and "Crusaders", Overtures, were examples of music used.

The chorus used such material as "Cherubim", "Nocturne", "Rain and the River", "Hiking Song", and "Homeland". The boys' chorus used such numbers as "YoHo for the Rolling Sea" and "Go Down Moses". The girls' chorus rehearsed such numbers as "Lift Thine Eyes", "Calm as the Night".

Although this book will go to the press before the final events of the year, the music department expects to be well represented at the final exercises of the senior class at the close of the school year.



# SPORTS



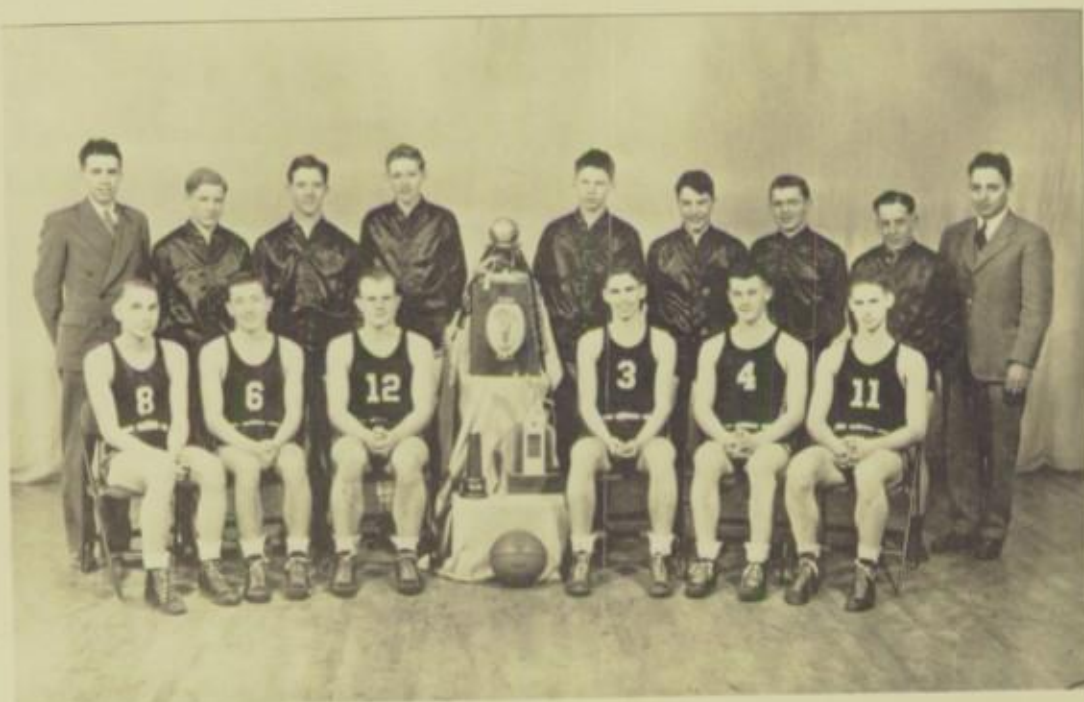


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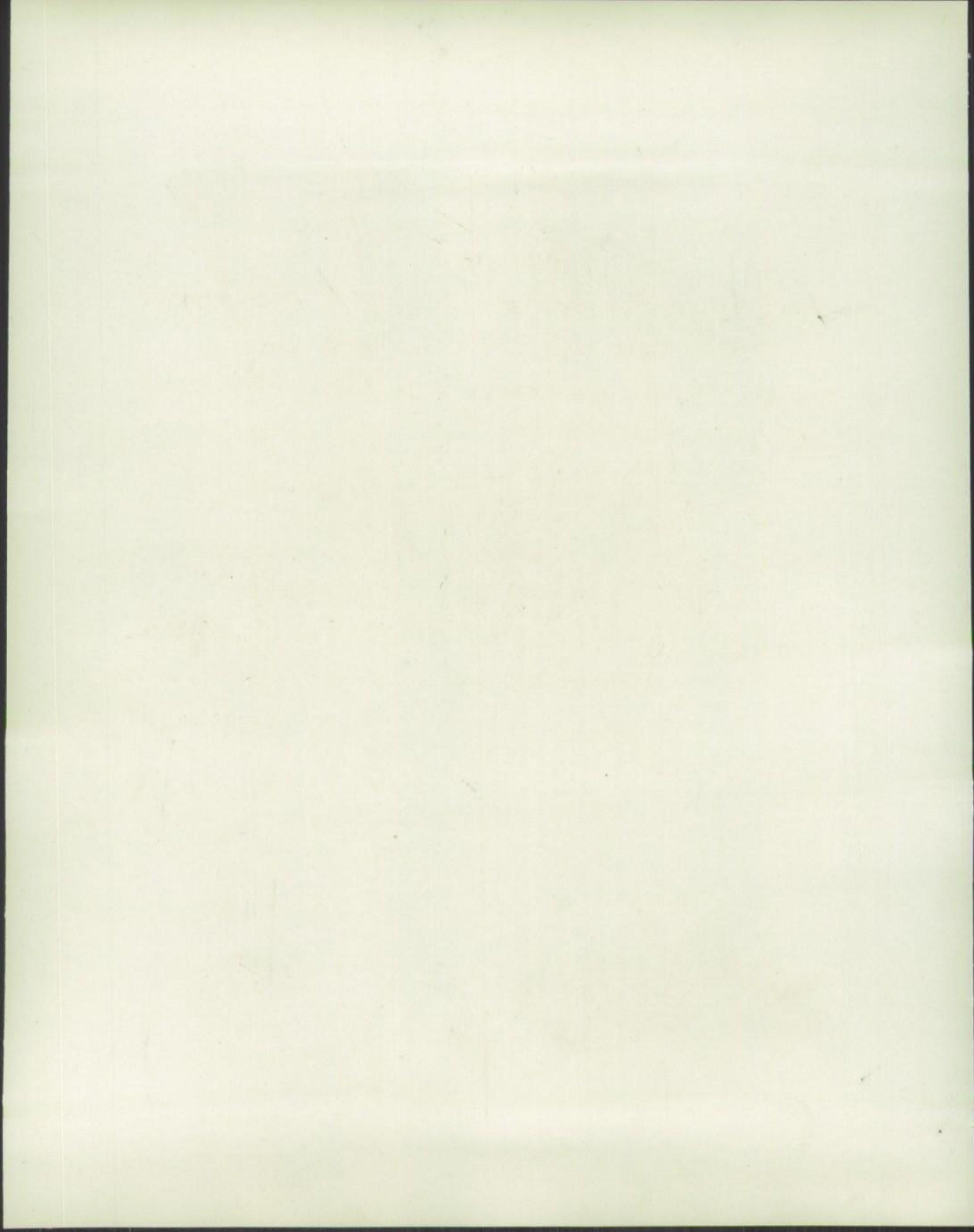
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## BASKETBALL SQUAD

### Individuals

Top Row: Joe Ellenberger, Kenneth Roth, Mr. Towner-Coach,  
Larry Ellenberger, Ralph Kloofenstein.

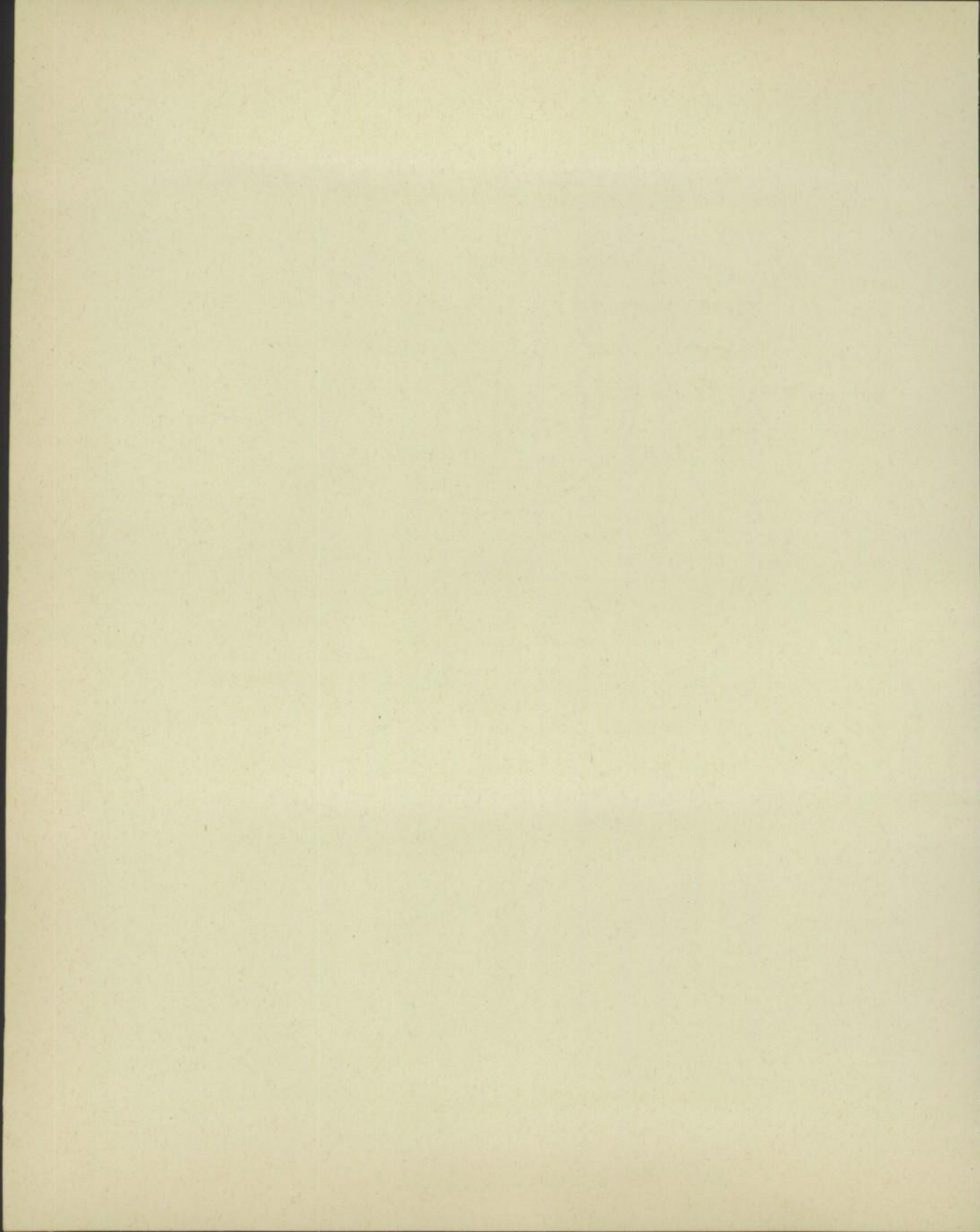
Bottom Row: Ty Kaufman, Junior Kuerth, Floyd Meiss, Vic  
Rich, Wesley Foor.

### Squad

Front Row: Ty Kaufman, Vic Rich, Junior Kuerth, R Ralph  
Klopfenstein, Floyd Meiss, Wesley Foor.

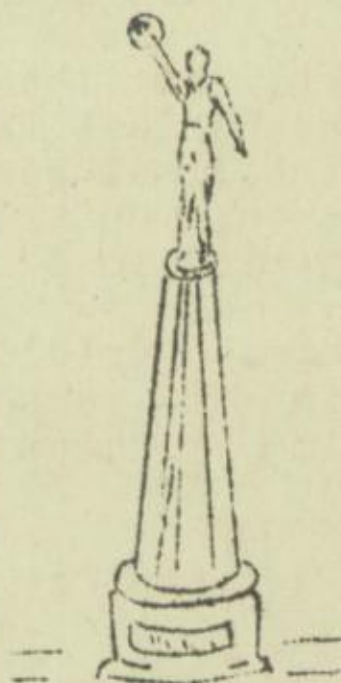
Back Row: Mr. Towner-Coach, Joe Ellenberger, Kenneth Roth,  
Larry Ellenberger, Rogers Kaufman, Everett Martin  
Bill Helbling, Don Gramm, Mr. Shinpaugh-Principal  
John Diggle.







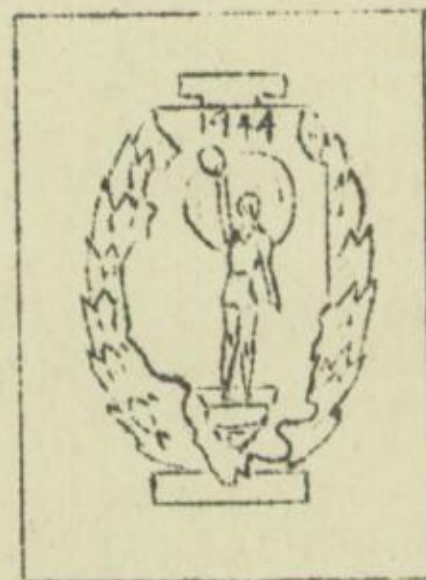
# 1943-44 BASKETBALL TROPHIES



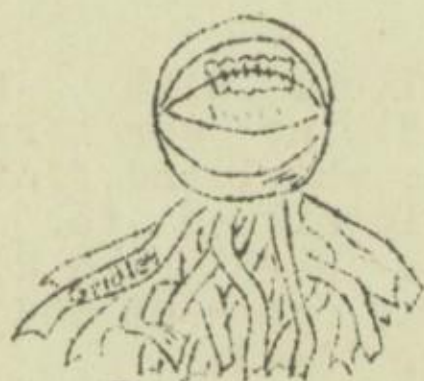
Xmas  
Tournament



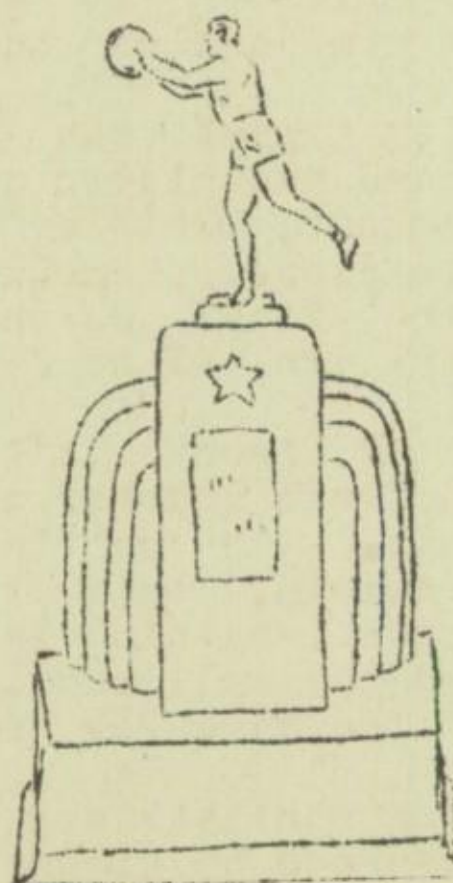
Prairie Conference  
Traveling Trophy



District  
Tournament



Pantagraph  
Traveling Trophy



McLean County  
Tournament



Freshman-Sophomore  
Tournament



## PRAIRIE CONFERENCE

The most interesting events of the season, outside of tournament play, took place in the Prairie Conference.

Being a newcomer in the conference, Gridley knew very little about the strength of any of the other six members.

Their first game was played at Roanoke, on the small Roanoke floor. Gridley won the contest in the last few seconds on the push-in shot by Ty Kaufman. The final score read Gridley 34 - Roanoke 32. Later in the season, on Gridley's court, Roanoke fell before the Redskins by a 50 to 30 score.

Our next foe was a powerful Eureka Team. Gridley managed to pull through in an overtime to win the game by two points. Baskets were scored in the overtime by Ralph Klopfenstein and Ty Kaufman, to win the game by a 32 - 30 score.

The return contest at Gridley, the last contest before the District meet, was one of the best games of the season. The lead changed hands many times during the game. The game was tied with ten seconds remaining when Ralph Klopfenstein stole the ball and went in to score the basket which won the game by two points. This win gave Gridley a perfect conference record of eight wins and no losses.

The contests with Minonk were among the best of the season. The first game was played at Gridley. Although the game was close throughout, Gridley held a nine point lead with three minutes to play. Minonk cut this lead to two points and only in the final seconds did Gridley pull through with a four point win, 43 to 39.

The return game at Minonk was a thriller. With four minutes to go in the final quarter the Redskins were trailing by thirteen points. By putting on a whirlwind finish, lead by Ralph Klopfenstein, this lead diminished to one point with five seconds remaining to play. Here again Ralph Klopfenstein snatched the ball away from an opponent and the resulting basket won the game for Gridley, 43-42.

The remaining two contests were played against an El Paso team that had been weakened by sickness.

All of the teams were well coached and played "top notch" ball in each conference contest. Gridley did not meet Washington or Metemora because of schedule difficulties.



## MCLEAN COUNTY TROPHY

The McLean County trophy is the emblem which the school now has in its possession as a result of its basket ball squad which showed its superiority over the rest of the county teams as it came out on top after having played courageously, and determingly. This being the first time that Gridley has placed first in the county tournament since 1927, I think everybody in Gridley views and will still view in the years to come this trophy with a great deal of pride and joy. Our hope is that in the future Gridley may gain many more county championships and have many more trophies to place beside this one.

## PRAIRIE CONFERENCE TRAVELING TROPHY

The Prairie Conference Traveling Trophy was donated to the Prairie conference by the Washburn Leader in 1938. In 1938-39 Roanoke was its first proud receiver. In 1939--40 ElPaso held it in their possession. In 1940-41-42-43 Eureka took over until Gridley was accepted in 1943-44 as a member school of the conference and now displays it with its other 43-44 emblems of victory.

## PRAIRIE CONFERENCE CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY

The Prairie Conference Championship trophy has not been bought as yet. We have received the money, but are waiting until after the war to buy a suitable trophy.



### PANTAGRAPH TRAVELING TROPHY

The Pantagraph traveling trophy was donated to the McLean County Schools in 1934, by the Bloomington Daily Pantagraph. Each time the trophy is in another school's possession, they put a ribbon with the date and the name of their school on it. This is the first time Gridley has ever had it. Possession of the trophy is obtained by defeating the school having the trophy.

### COLFAX DISTRICT TROPHY

The Colfax District Trophy was won at Colfax. By winning this tournament we were able to go to the Regional Tournament, the second step toward the State.

### GRIDLEY CHRISTMAS TROPHY

The Gridley Christmas Tournament first place trophy was kept at home on its first year of being presented. We hope to do as well in the years to come.

### FRESHMAN-SOPHOMORE TROPHY

The Freshman-Sophomore trophy was obtained in a tournament held at Lexington. It gives us all a secure feeling to possess this trophy, for it proves that we still have good basketball material left, and can have high hopes for the future basketball teams.



## BASKETBALL

Probably the best team in the history of the school represented Gridley in the basketball wars this year.

Under the leadership of Coach Towner the team added seven trophies to Gridley's trophy cases. They were Champions of McLean County, of the Gridley Christmas Tournament, the Prairie Conference and District Tournament.

Their season's record showed 23 wins against 6 losses. They were winners of all but one tournament game.

The total achievements of this team can well be attributed to their cooperation, team play, aggressiveness, and never-quit qualities displayed throughout the entire season.

Not to be outdone too far by the first team the Gridley seconds won 18 contests while losing only 4.

The basketball season ended with the Freshman-Sophomores winning the Fresh.-Soph. Tournament at Lexington.

Three of the first ten will be lost to the team by graduation. They are Wesley Foor, Henry Kuerth, Jr., and Kenneth Roth.

Foor, a regular from last season, sparked the team with his continual hard driving, and aggressive tactics. While not much of a talker his actions on the court spoke for him. He was an excellent defensive man, and one of the best forwards in the County.

Junior Kuerth played most of the season at center. His rebounding was his shining quality. Although this was his first season on the first five he played like a veteran.

Kenneth Roth, who stars on the ball diamond and in Track was the other senior on the first ten. Although he did not get into many games he played a great part in the development of the team.

Ralph Klopfenstein, our high scoring forward, proved that he was among the best in these parts, by taking advantage of every break of the game to score points for Gridley. His teamwork was outstanding throughout the season.



Victor Rich, the smallest of the first five developed into an excellent guard. His speed and fight played a big part in our victories.

Ty Kaufman ranked at the top for his guarding ability. His smoothness of motion, speed and good judgement were ever apparent throughout the season.

Floyd Meiss ended the season playing about half of each game. He made an excellent start but missed several games because of sickness.

Larry Ellenberger a six foot Junior should develop into a regular next season. He has a very good pivot shot.

Joe Ellenberger has the promise of being a great guard. He is very aggressive and is an excellent ball handler.

Rogers Kaufman lacked the experience of some of the other players but he made up for it by his under-the-basket play and good ball handling.

Everett Martin a regular on the second team and is an excellent shot. He should be seen in the next few years as a regular.

John Diggle a very good dribbler and an excellent ball handler played regular on the second team.

Donald Gramm is a very aggressive player and saw service on the second team in his Senior year.

Kenneth Stahley is an excellent shot but his lack of experience hindered his aggressiveness. He missed several games on account of Scarlet Fever.

Wilbur Haase made a very good showing at the Freshman-Sophomore Tournament. He looks like he may develop into a good player.

Bill Helbling has promise of being a good guard. He saw some service on the second team.



# BASKETBALL STATISTICS

Name	FG	FT	FTM	F	TP
Victor Rich	82	31	35	57	195
Ralph Klopfenstein	180	62	70	38	422
Wesley Foor	64	27	55	70	155
Henry Kuerth Jr.	29	19	23	55	77
Ty Kaufman	68	29	41	67	165
Floyd Meiss	18	11	14	21	47
Kenneth Roth	4	1	8	7	9
Larry Ellenberger	5	2	7	8	12
Joe Ellenberger	3	1	6	12	7
Rogers Kaufman	14	3	9	14	31
Everett Martin	1	0	0	0	2
John Diggle	3	1	2	2	7
Kenneth Stahley	0	0	0	0	0
Billy Helbling	0	0	0	1	0
Bud Hoobler	2	0	0	0	4
Don Gramm	0	0	0	0	0

## KEY

FG	Field Goal
FT	Free Throw
FTM	Free Throws Missed
F	Fouls
TP	Total Points



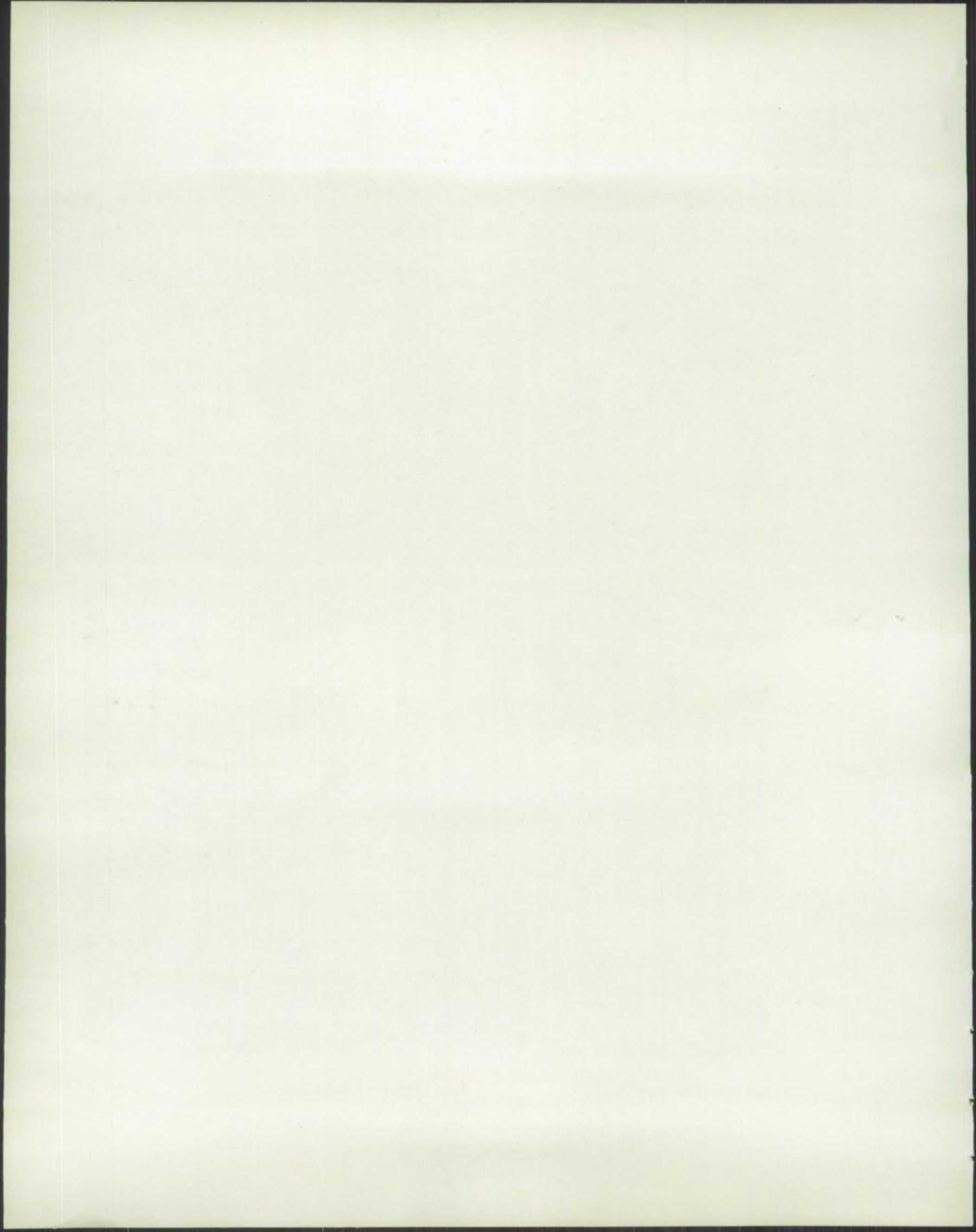
# SEASON'S GAMES

Flanagan		50-08
Fairbury		17-23
Cornell		26-30
Normal		31-44
Chenoa		25-19
Lexington		64-15
Roanoke	Prairie Conf.	34-32
Lexington	Xmas Tourney	47-19
Chenoa	Xmas Tourney	44-22
Minonk	Prairie Conf.	43-39
Eureka	Prairie Conf.	32-30
El Paso	Prairie Conf.	32-21
Lexington		37-28
Roanoke	Prairie Conf.	50-30
Fairbury		32-39
Danvers	County Tourney	50-34
Chenoa	County Tourney	40-22
McLean	County Tourney	47-45
Heyworth	County Tourney	39-32
Minonk	Prairie Conf.	43-42
El Paso	Prairie Conf.	31-15
Flanagan		60-38
Cornell		34-42
Chenoa		35-27
Eureka	Prairie Conf.	30-28
Cropsey	District	45-37
Anchor	District	48-35
Colfax	District	41-33
Fairbury	Regional	26-33











## TRACK TEAM

### Top row:

Kenneth Roth, Wilbur Haase, Junior Kuerth, Ralph Klopfenstein, Carlton Klopfenstein, Wesley Foor, Tyrus Kaufman, Floyd Meiss, Rogers Kaufman.

### Third row:

Eugene McKinley, Donald Keifer, Kenneth Gerig, James Ringger, William Hayes, Victor Rich, Everett Martin, Duane Guth, Joe Ellenberger, Howard Lehmann.

### Second row:

Edson Keifer, John Diggle, Joe Hayes, Donald Gramm, William Helbling, Donald Fleming, Dean Mulligan, Terry Kearney, Leo Reeves.

### First row:

Mr. Hill, Stanley Hauser, Jack Bristow, Harold McKinley, Herbert Gramm, Kenneth Gramm, John Kahle, Howard Zehr, Homer McCullough.

## RELAY

Tyrus Kaufman, Kenneth Gerig, Ralph Klopfenstein, Junior Kuerth, Kenneth Roth.

## DISTANCE

### Back row:

John Kahle, John Diggle, Everett Martin, Wilbur Haase, Donald Keifer, Dean Mulligan.

### Front row:

Ralph Klopfenstein, Victor Rich, Donald Gramm, Herbert Gramm

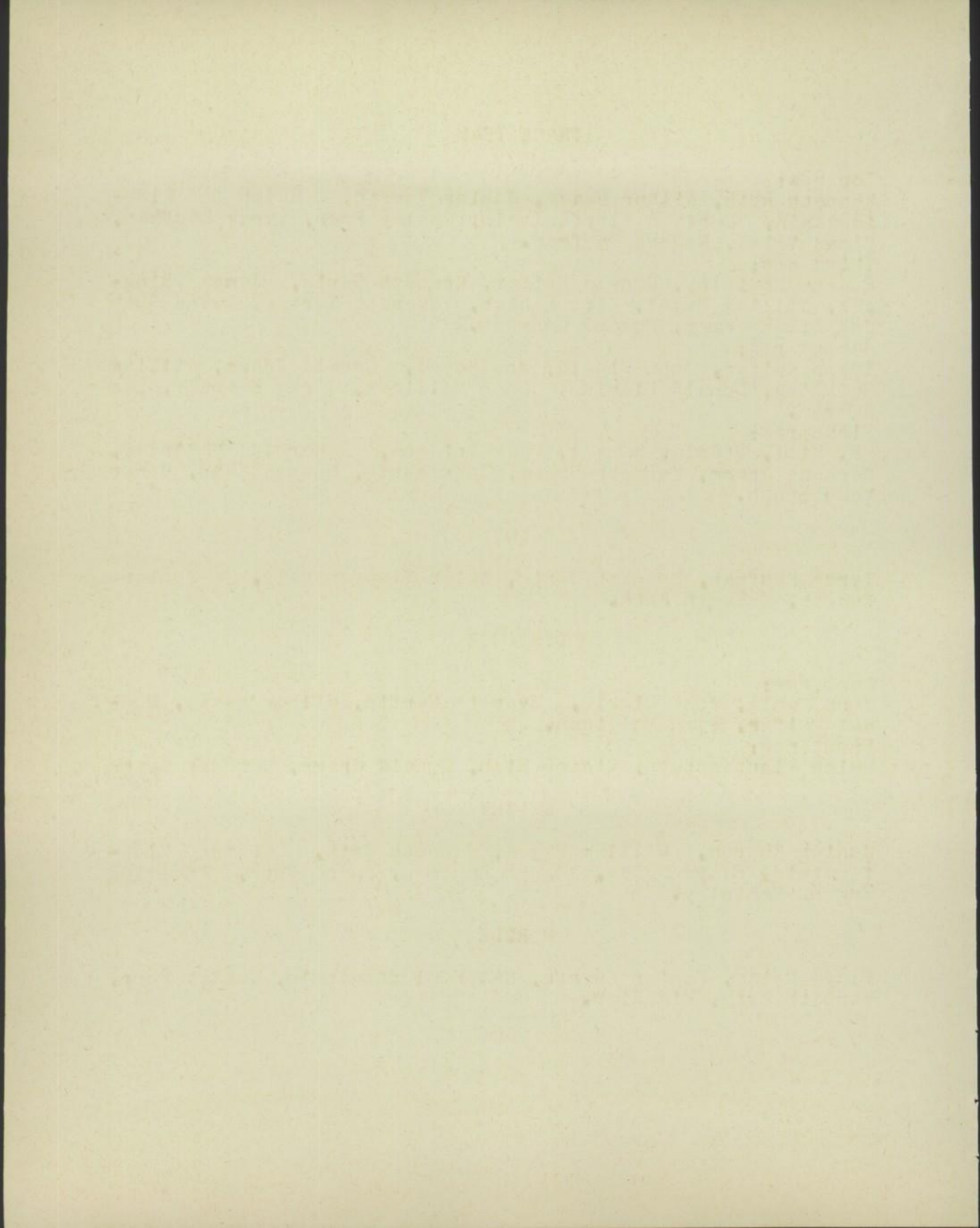
## WEIGHT

Junior Kuerth, William Hayes, Kenneth Roth, Carlton Klopfenstein, Floyd Meiss, Rogers Kaufman, Duane Guth, Kneeling Eugene McKinley.

## HURDLE

Floyd Meiss, Junior Kuerth, Ralph Klopfenstein, Wesley Foor, Kenneth Roth, Vic Rich.







## 1944 TRACK AND FIELD

Prospects for the 1944 track season are considered good. With the large squad of boys practicing almost daily it appears that Gridley should have again another well balanced team exhibiting both power and depth.

The varsity half mile relay team will be chosen from co-captains Ken Roth and Junior Kuerth, Ty Kaufman, Ralph Klopfenstein, Ken Gerig, Billy Helbling and Duane Shrock and Victor Rich.

The varsity hurdle teams will be chosen from Junior Kuerth, Ralph Klopfenstein, Floyd Meiss, Duane Shrock and Vic Rich.

The probable events that will be entered in the county meet by squad members are:

Junior Kuerth: all hurdle races, discus throw, 440 yd. dash and all varsity relays.

Ken Roth: Both dashes, shot put, discus throw, broad jump.

Don Gramm: 880 yd. run, 1 mile run.

Ralph Klopfenstein: High jumps, 440, 880, all varsity relays.

Ty Kaufman: Both dashes, 440, all varsity relays.

Vic Rich: Pole vault, 880, mile.

Duane Shrock: High Jump, broad jump, hurdles, varsity relays.

Floyd Meiss: Pole vault, shot put, discus throw, hurdles

Joe Ellenberger: Both dashes.

John Kahle: Mile

Don Kiefer: Mile

Other squad members are: Herbert Gramm, Joe Hayes, Bill Hayes, Howard Lehman, Gene McKinley, Paul Reeves, Kenneth Stahley, Jack Bristow, John Diggle, Don Fleming, Duane Guth Wilber Haase, Stanley Hauser, Rogers Kaufman, Terry Kearney, Edson Kiefer, Everett Martin, Homer McCullough, Harold McKinley, Dean Mulligan Leo Reeves, Wesley Foor, Kenneth Gramm, Mgr.

### G.C.H.S. TRACK SCHEDULE

April 15	Geneseo Relays
April 19	Chenoo here
April 20	Lexington and Flanagan here (under classmen)
April 25	Open
April 28	Gridley Relays



May 1	Washburn at Washburn
May 3	Elpaso here
May 5	Chenoa at Chenoa
May 6	Delevan Relays
May 10	Pontiac here
May 13	District Meet
May 16	County Meet
May 25	Onarga M. A. there

### 1943 TRACK AND FIELD

The 1943 track season was characterized by many unusual features. Due to inclement weather which caused the postponement or cancellation of many meets, inability to secure transportation, and other obstacles, the squad engaged in only five meets during the entire season.

Gridley opened the season in a triangular meet at Pontiac with Normal Community being the third team. The locals triumphed over their numerically greater rivals, the final tabulation showing Gridley with 48 points, Pontiac with 46 points, and Normal with 38 points.

Gridley showed power in the hurdle races with Jay Klopfenstein and Kuertth carrying the Gridley colors. In the 440, 880, and mile runs, Gridley piled up such a huge total of points that, with the help of Gridley's star weight men, Ken Roth, Keith Roth, and Gerig, the Gridley boys were able to breeze to a coveted victory. Funk, Ed Gramm, Don Gramm, Ralph Klopfenstein, and Ty Kaufman were the Gridley boys who flared in the longer races.

In the Gridley Relays, the locals were double winners, gaining the coveted relay trophy after a terrific battle with Chenoa by a score of 83 to 81. Elpaso was third with 53 points, Cullom fourth with 43 points, and Pontiac fifth with 25 points. Gridley also won the Field Events trophy with 25 points. Chenoa was second with 18, Pontiac third with 14½, Cullom fourth with 11, and Elpaso fifth with five points.

The third meet of the season was a dual affair at Chenoa. The Chenoa boys were "red hot" and downed Gridley by a convincing 65 to 48 score. Two relay races which were won by Gridley were not counted in the total points.



Gridley next met Elpaso on the Gridley track. The locals won by a score of 69 to 49. Gridley scored slams in four events, the 440, the high hurdles, the shot put, and the discus throw. Elpaso scored slams in three events, the 100 and 220 yd. dashes, and the broad jumps.

The county meet, held at McCormick field in Normal, was Gridley's final meet. Chenoa was the favorite to win top honor but the Gridley boys came through with weak performances to score 72½ points to Chenoa's 61 for a sparkling victory for the fifth consecutive year.

Balance was probably the deciding factor for Gridley scored points in all seventeen events, the first time in the history of the meet that such an event has occurred.

Gridley won but two first places but grabbed nine seconds and numerous third, fourth and fifth places. Junior Kuerth won the high hurdles and Ralph Klopfenstein won the 440 yard dash.

Letters were awarded to the following boys: Virgil Funk, Ronald Gerig, Ed Gramm, Jay Klopfenstein, Loren Kupferschmidt, Keith Roth, Junior Kuerth, Ken Roth, Don Gramm, Wesley Foor, Ty Kaufman, Ken Gerig, Victor Rich, Larry Ellenberger, Billy Helbling, Ralph Klopfenstein, Duane Shrock, John Kahle, Delmar Dawson, Jim Ringger, Floyd Meiss, and Joe Ellenberger. Kenneth Gramm was awarded a manager's letter.



PEP SONG

Here's to you, Gridley High,  
Here's to you, Gridley High,  
You are the one for whom we do or die  
We are strong for Gridley High.  
Rah! Rah! Rah!

Here's to you Gridley High,  
Long may your colors fly,  
The black and the red will always  
wave on high,  
So, Here's to you, Gridley High.

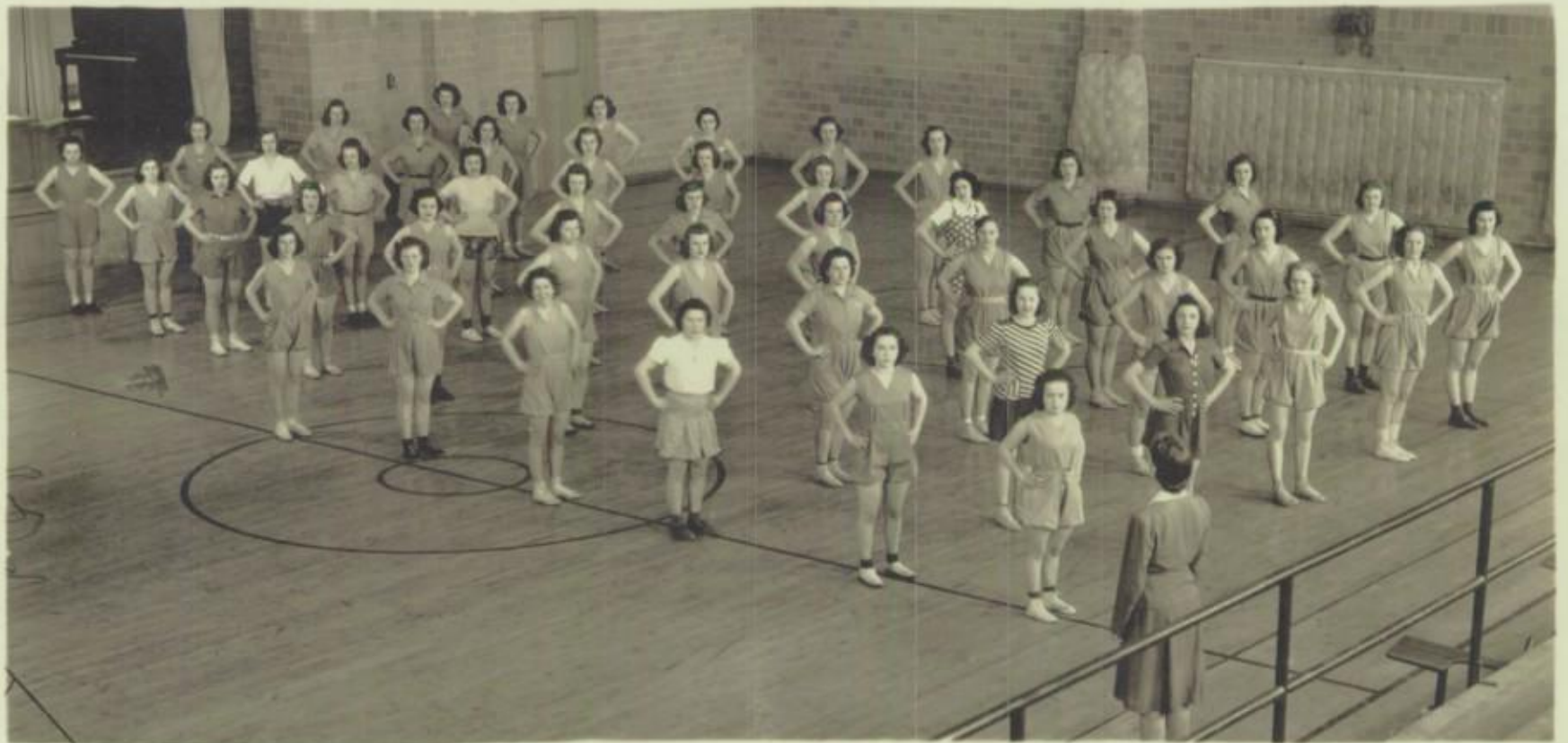
PEP SONG  
(Tune of Illinois Pep Song)

We're loyal to you, Gridley High,  
We'll always be true, Gridley High.  
We'll never give in, but we'll fight  
Till the end. To the victory we'll  
send, Gridley High.  
Rah! Rah!

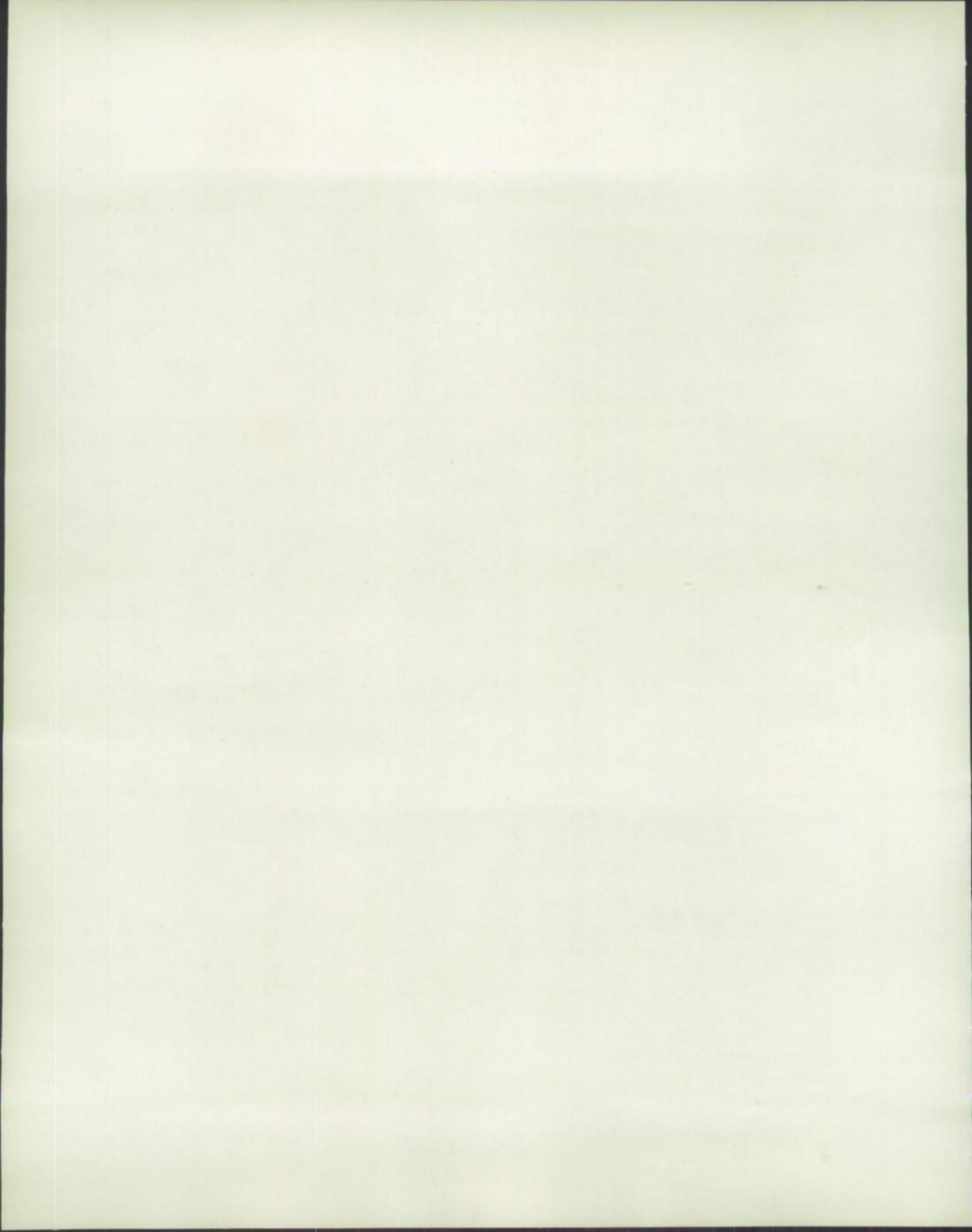
Go speeding ahead, Gridley High,  
The Black and the Red, Gridley High,  
Our banners unfurled, we will shout  
to the world,  
A victory for you, Gridley High.

Cha He Cha Ha Cha Ha Ha Ha  
Gridley Redskins Rah Rah Rah!











## BASEBALL

Front Row:

Bud Hoobler, Floyd Meiss, Everett Martin, Tyrus Kaufman, Junior Kuerth, Mr. Towner.

Back Row:

Ralph Klopfenstein, Victor Rich, Roger Kaufman, Wes Foor, Kenneth Roth.

## GIRLS PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Left Corner: Bernice Stalter.

Second Row: Charlotte Dodson, Jerry Yergler.

Third Row: Maralon Kent, Valera Kemp, Jean McCullough.

Fourth Row: Sarah Funk, Eleanor Rinkenberger, Selda Benedict, Shirley Rich, Wilma King.

Fifth Row: Marie Jensen, Bobby Heiple, Lois Bristow, Aldene Simmerman, Jean Roth.

Sixth Row: Ruth Gramm, Helen Rinkenberger, Rosemary Whisman, Jean Schlipf, Joan Kuerth.

Seventh Row: Ellen Rinkenberger, Anna Lou Kuerth, Patricia Ethington, Roberta Kuerth, Esther Eigsti.

Eighth Row: Miriam O'May, Betty Shanebrook, Le Ann Roth, Catherine Slagell, Helen Schlipf.

Ninth Row: Myrtle Dodson, Eileen Yergler, Georgianna Brush, Kathryn Miller, Charlotte Hodel.

Tenth Row: Mae Turgeon, Mary Wilfong, Thelma Hibbs, Kathleen Zimmerman.

Eleventh Row: Kathleen Grusy, Jane Cornwell, Virginia King.

Twelfth Row: Ramona Oliver, Joan Steward.

Right Corner: Alyce Rose Meiss.

Facing the Group: Miss Garrity.

## BOYS PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Facing the Group: Mr. Hill.

First Row: Stanley Hauser, Harold McKinley, Herbert Gramm, Donald Gramm, Delmar Dawson, Gene McKinley, Carlton Klopfenstein.

Second Row: Jack Bristow, John Kahle, Donald Zehr, Kenneth Gramm, Nelson Funk, Dwayne Guth, Bill Hayes.

Third Row: Lyle Zehr, Joe Hayes, John Diggle, Donald Keifer, Robert Gramm, Floyd Meiss, Henry Stortz.

Fourth Row: Homer McCullough, Howard Lehmann, Howard Zehr, Edson Keifer, Evan Bertsche, Kenneth Gerig, Wilbur Haase.

Fifth Row: Leo Reeves, Donald Fleming, Robert Kearney, Dean Mulligan, Terry Kearney, Bill Helbling, Mr. Towner.



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## BASEBALL

Gridley started off their baseball season by handing Stanford a 6-0 trouncing behind the no-hit pitching of Kenneth Roth. Their next game was against the team that won the County Championship, Heyworth. They lost this one 6-2, on Heyworth's diamond. Their next four games were at home, with Gridley winning easily in each contest.

Their first victim was Carlock, 8-3. Ralph Klopfenstein and Roth divided the pitching duties. Gridley won the next game from Mclean, 11-1. Roth had a no-hitter until the last inning when Wilcox belted one over the road for a home run.

Klopfenstein pitched Gridley to their next victory which was over Danvers, 14-4. Ralph's next win was a no-hitter against Downs, 29-0. Gridley made 33 safe hits, including home runs by Foor, Kuerth, and Stahley, in this game.

This ended the County competition with five wins and one loss.

The last game of the season pitted Gridley against the strong Flanagan nine. Gridley lost 11-2. They committed seven errors in this contest. One of their two runs was a homer by Kenneth Stahley.

Both Roth and Klopfenstein pitched excellent ball during the season. Klopfenstein carried the most power in his bat. Stahley was the fielding ace of the team at second base.



The starting line-up for this years baseball team was Wesley Foor, Catcher; Kenneth Roth and Ralph Klopfenstein pitcher and first base alternately; Kenneth Stahley, second base; Bud Hoobler, shortstop; Victor Rich, third base, Tyrus Kaufman, left field; Everett Martin, center field; and Junior Kuerth, right field. Floyd Meiss, Rogers Kaufman, and Joe Ellenberger were the substitutes.

Three of the first nine will be lost by graduation. They are Wesley Foor, Kenneth Roth and Junior Kuerth. Foor has passed his tests for Aviation training after high school Kuerth will be working on a farm, and Roth, being only sixteen, will probably be farming for a couple of years yet also. These boys were real athletes and proved their worths by their willingness to sacrifice little pleasures for the good of the team and themselves.

#### SEASONS BATTING AVERAGES

Player	Po.	AB	R	H	Pct.
Ralph Klopfenstein	p, lb	28	8	13	.464
Everett Martin	cf	22	7	9	.409
Kenneth Stahley	2b	18	6	7	.388
Wesley Foor	c	19	11	7	.368
Kenneth Roth	p, lb	22	8	8	.363
Junior Kuerth	rf	15	7	5	.333
Ty Kaufman	lf	22	7	6	.273
Bud Hoobler	ss	26	11	7	.270
Vic Rich	3b	25	6	6	.240
Floyd Meiss	rf	3	1	2	.667
Rogers Kaufman	rf, c	2	0	1	.500
Joe Ellenberger	cf	2	0	0	.000



## GIRLS PHYSICAL EDUCATION

For the past few years the four classes of girls physical education has been condensed into two. The Freshmen and Sophomore class meets on Tuesday and the Junior and Senior meets on Friday during the third period under the capable instruction of Miss Garrity.

During the fall of '43 baseball was played outside until the weather got cooler. To wind up the baseball season a tournament was held and the Seniors came out on top as the champions.

Basketball season came and practice commenced with the girls showing spirited interest. Each period began with vigorous exercises. As the season came to a close a tournament was planned and the Senior girls became the champs for the fourth consecutive year.

With the approach of spring the activities changed to softball. This sport is taken part in by most of the students in the school. Aside from the games played in the regular gym classes, each noon hour one or two games were in progress.

If a gym class is missed with or without excuse an extra health class was held third period on Thursday for make-up work. This as other courses has exams which must be passed for credit.



## BOYS P.E. ACTIVITIES

The objectives of the physical education program are to develop stamina, achieve coordination of mind and muscle, lessen fear of bodily harm, to create an interest in ones health and the health conditions of the community, to cause persons to become interested in the popular sports of football, baseball, basketball and track and field not only from a spectator's viewpoint, but also from a participant's desire to indulge in wholesome, healthful recreation.

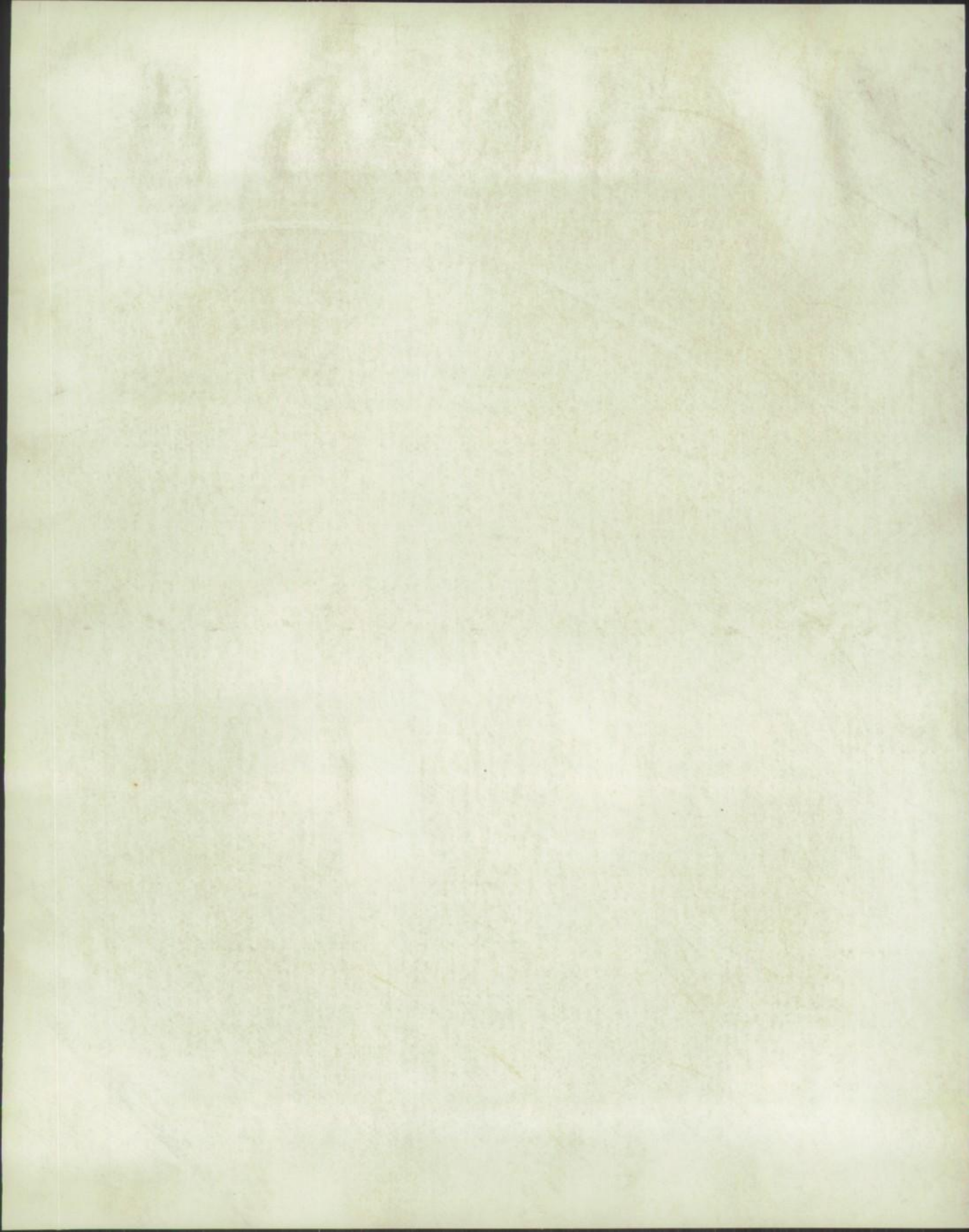
With these objectives in view the members of the physical education group during the school year have been given instruction in how to participate in these sports in their respective seasons. Likewise a thorough grounding in corrective exercises, obstacle course running, rope climbing and ladder walking have been offered.

Not the least of the results of the physical education activities have been boys who have been discovered as fine prospects for the varsity athletic teams.











## PEP CLUB

### Back Row:

Victor Rich, Evan Bertsche, Floyd Meiss, Wesley Foor, Ralph Klopfenstein, Larry Ellenberger, Junior Juerth, James Ringger Tyrus Kaufman, William Helbling.

### Fourth Row:

Betty Shanebrook, Roberta Kuerth, Gerry Yergler, Jean Roth, Joan Kuerth, Madelyn Andrews, Wilma King, Le Ann Roth, Shirley Rich, Lucille Kuntz.

### Third Row:

Patricia Ethington, Zelda Benedict, Jane Cornwell, Marilyn Bristow, Joan Steward, Marguerite Kroner, Ellen Rinkenberger, Marie Jensen, Sarah Funk, Mary Wilfong, Anna Lou Kuerth, Rose Mary Whisman, Helen Rinkenberger, Kathleen Grusy.

### Second Row:

Mr. O'May, Jack Bristow, Donald Fleming, Everett Martin, Joe Ellenberger, Kenneth Gerig, Kenneth Roth, Lois Bristow, Miriam O'May, Catherine Slagell, Donald Gramm, Terry Kearney, Robert Kearney, Dean Mulligan, Kenneth Gramm, Homer McCullough

### First Row:

Bobby Heiple, Kathleen Zimmerman, Myrtle Dodson, Mae Turgeon, Alice Rose Meiss, Eileen Yergler, Ramona Oliver, Jean McCullough, Marilyn Kent, Ruth Gramm, Aldine Zimmerman.

## CHEER LEADERS

Alyce Rose Meiss, Eileen Yergler, Ramona Oliver.

## G. A. A.

### Top Row:

Catherine Slagell, Gerry Yergler, Joan Kuerth, Wilma King, Virginia King, Madelyn Andrews, Jean Roth, Lucille Kuntz, Roberta Kuerth.

### Middle Row:

Alyce Rose Meiss, Lois Bristow, Anna L. Kuerth, Shirley Rich, Joan Steward, Jane Cornwell, Marilyn Kent, Eileen Yergler, Patricia Ethington, Marilyn Bristow.

### First Row:

Bobby Heiple, Charlotte Dodson, Mary Wilfong, Ramona Oliver, Miss Garrity, Mae Turgeon, Jean McCullough, Miriam O'May, Sarah Funk, Myrtle Dodson.



### G.A.A. Activities

The G.A.A. activities for the year got off to a good start with a scavenger hunt. This was for the purpose of introducing our activities to the Freshmen. In the order which they occurred came these parties: Halloween (a very spooky affair in the gym), and regular monthly parties of various entertainments continued up until March.

Throughout the year various sports were enjoyed including softball, soccer and hiking. The latter event was highlighted by the annual hike to Lake Bloomington on November 11. Twenty-five tired, foot-worn hikers arrived at Froelich's cabin where Madelyn, Jeanne & Romona had hot chile and cocoa waiting. Much appreciated quiet games followed the refreshments. Transportation back to Gridley was afforded by sympathizing citizens. All admitted this was an enjoyable trip although there were a number of weary girls who turned in that night with feet feeling twice their normal size.

Another activity of this organization during the basketball season was selling home-made candy. This was carried out by donations made by the girls and sold by them. It proved a very worth while undertaking and added a considerable amount to the treasury.

The feat of which these girls are most proud of is having won the 3rd place banner in this district for the annual free throw contest sponsored by the state. This is the best showing any contestants from G.C.H.S. have ever made.

Officers who served for the year were as follows:

President.....Ramona Oliver  
Vice-President....Mae Turgeon  
Secretary.....Mary V. Wilfong  
Treasurer....Jeanne McCullough



## CHEERLEADERS

Next year Miriam O'May, Lois Bristow, and Catherine Slagell will fill the vacancies left by our three senior cheerleaders, Alyce Meiss, Eileen Yergler, and Ramona Oliver.

These three cheerleaders have been together two years and during this time have aroused enthusiasm and school spirit among the student body.

The cheerleaders and the pep club, which was organized only this year, backed the team one hundred percent to speed them on to their many victories.

They organized new yells and actions and performed them to the best of their ability. Their outfits were red gaberdine with black trim and all three wore white mocassins.

The cheerleaders wish to express their appreciation and thanks to the student body for the cooperation received from them through out the two years they have been together.

Gridley's three pretty maids were the best cheerleaders in the county.



### PEP CLUB

The Pep Club is composed of about forty members. These members expressed their appreciation toward the basketball team throughout the season. Not only did they attend the games, but they gave the team excellent support from the side lines. A truck was provided for these ambitious club members to go to the County games. The truck was always packed from top to bottom. They showed Gridley to have one of the pepiest yelling sections entering the McCormick Gymnasium.

To have some showing as to the title of our team, the Pep Club ordered Indian Head emblems to show we represented the Redskins. These emblems were also provided for the team.

This is the first year Gridley has had this organization, and it proved to be a real success. Here's hoping it will remain the same in the following years.

The officers for this year were: President--Mary Wilfong; Secretary--Miriam O'May. They wish to express their appreciation to the Pep Club members for their moral support in making this club a great success.



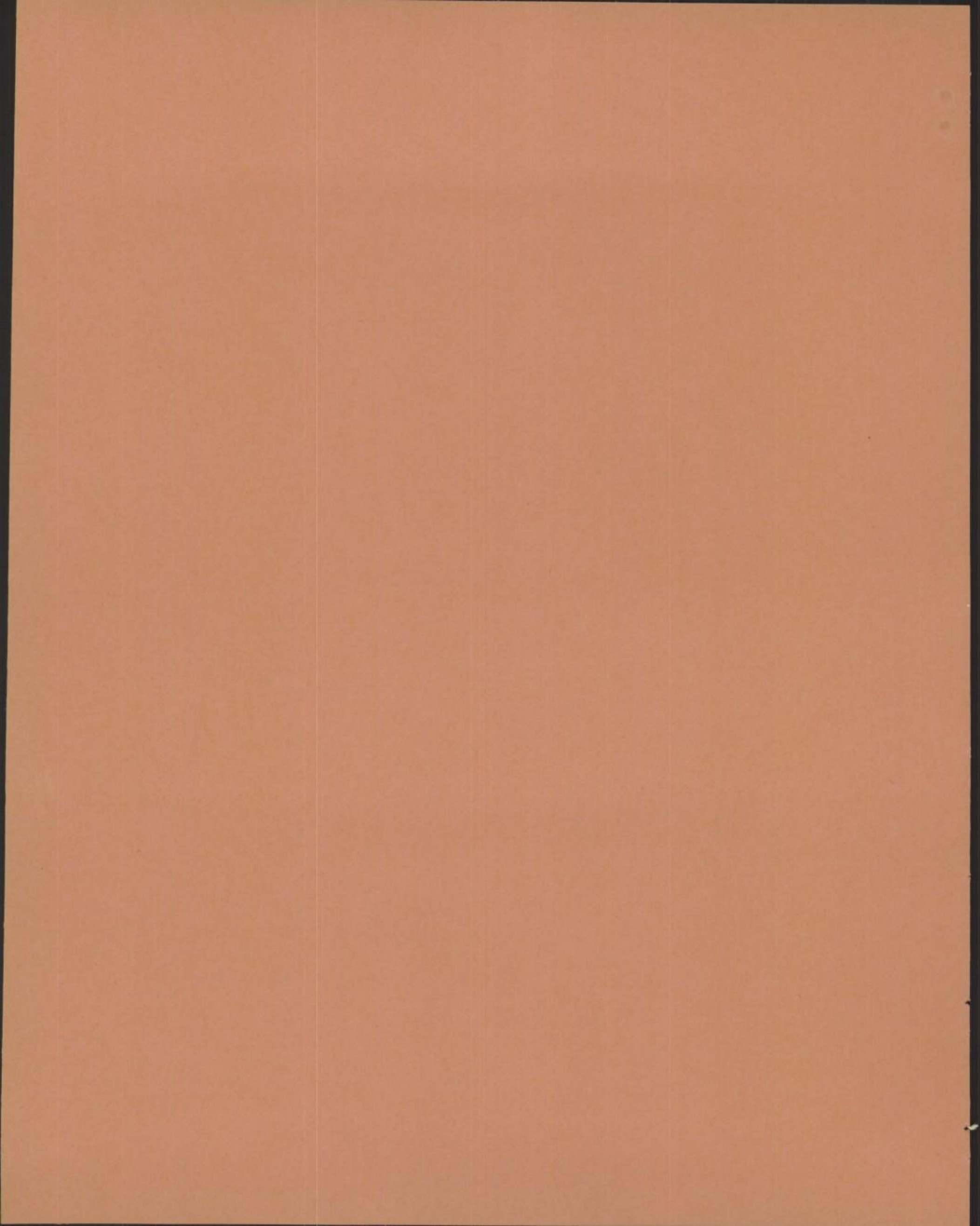
Snaps

# Miscellaneous

Calendar

Jokes















## PICTURES

1. Ty Kaufman--Hey! Come back her brother.
2. Ramona, Madelyn and Mary V. Happy????
3. Joan Steward--Won't you come over and play Croquet with me?
4. Kenneth Roth--Happy and Handsome as I can be.
5. Myrtle--Guess who? It's not a dog.
6. Ramona--Hold tight, Monie, or I'll get away.
7. Henry & Kenny--Waiting for someone? We wonder who!
8. Jean Roth--Did you catch anything?
9. Joan & Bobby--Hey! be careful, don't break my neck.
10. Madelyn--Aw gee, kids, I'm bashful.
11. Joan & Madelyn--Afraid? Oh No!
12. Mary Wilfong--What say, let's play ball?
13. Mary V. & Wes--Give me a bit of snow too!
14. Don Zehr--Look who's laughing again.
15. Esther--Having fun aren't we, kitty?
16. Junior Kuerth--Oh Gee, I don't want my picture taken.
17. Ramona, Miss Barnes, & Madelyn--three little ladies under the flag.
18. Mr. & Mrs. Porter Brush--Well, what are you waiting for?
19. Alyce and Joan--We've been working on the Railroad.
20. Eileen--What's the matter, Eileen?
21. Henry Stortz--You must have been a beautiful baby!
22. Did you have a nice swim boys?



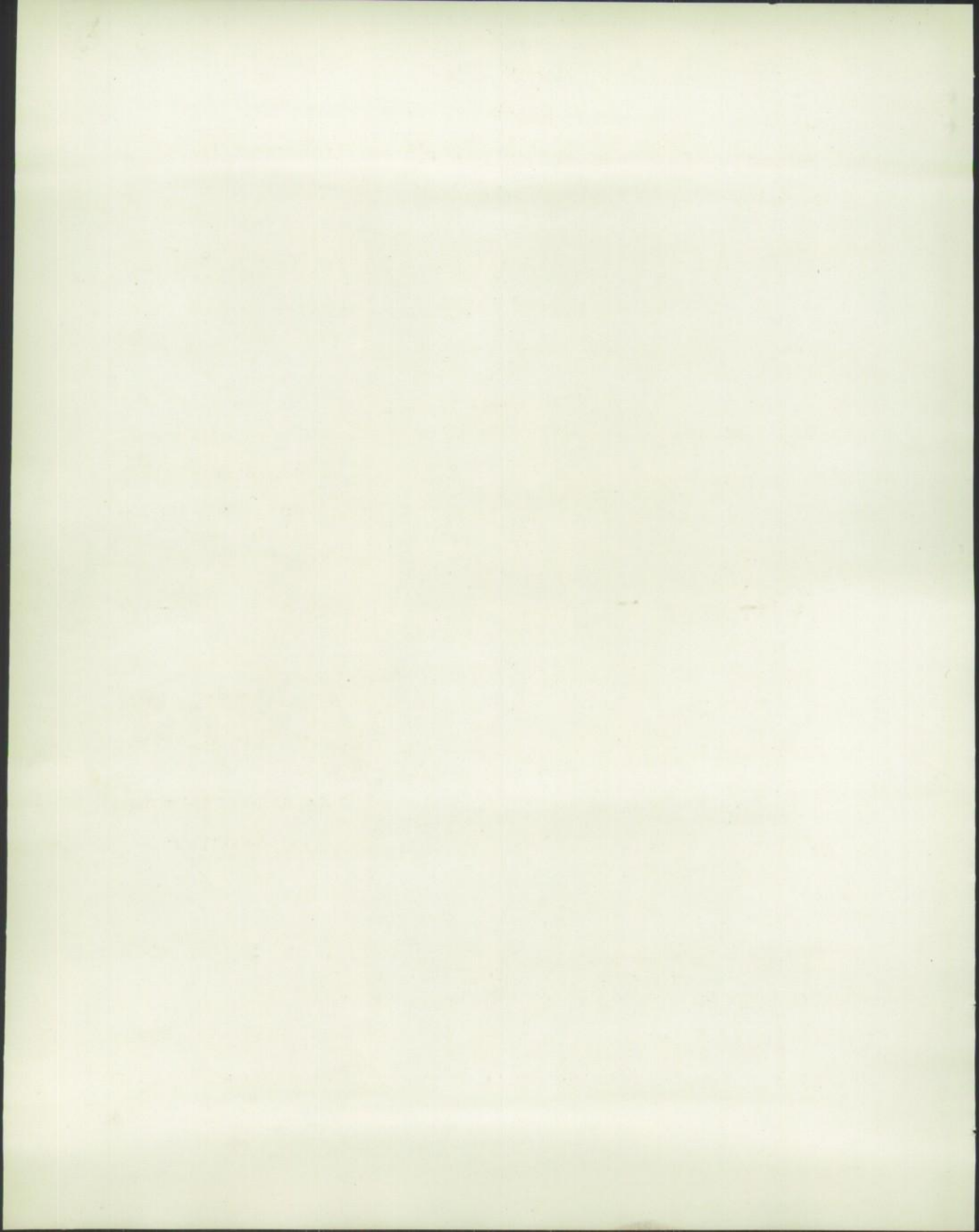
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23. We like your back, Bobby.
24. Bernice Stalter, Clara Andrews, Georgiana Brush, & Betty Rowley--Four little maids from Gridley.
25. Alyce Rose Meiss--See my pretty bouquet of flowers?
26. George! Just what are you trying to do?
27. Watch out girls! You might get snow down your back.
28. Bernice Stalter--I like my dolly.
  1. Um! Um! Such beautiful Freshman "dames".
  2. Sambo, Huck Finn and others on initiation day.
  3. Two hula gals stranded at Lake Bloomington.
  4. "Handsome" and his velocipede.
  5. Wheeoo! Glamour!!!
  6. What's the trouble, Myrt?
  7. A transfer student from ElPaso.
  8. Who's the cute papoose, Lois?
  9. Those days are gone forever!
10. Half a score of Senior Gals.
11. Disapproval?
12. Dave, ready for the kill.
13. "I'm Walking By The River" waiting for whom?
14. Yea Gridley! Rah! Rah!
15. Who's the sweet smile for, Bobby?
16. De Black Boy mid his hoe!
17. More frolicsome Freshies on their coming out day.
18. A study of a dismayed Greenie.
19. Lazybones, how'd you ever 'spect to get your work done?











KPLRD

Oop! mistake, wrong keys.  
Paul Reeves: "Will you please get off my feet once in a while?"

Bob Kearney: "It's too far to walk."

Miss Garrity: "Did you open your window wide?"

Joe Ellenberger: "You bet I did. I pulled the top half all the way down and pushed the bottom half all the way up."

Mr. O'May: "How is your Coal bin?"

Mr. Towner: "Very good, is your ink well?"

Ralph: "I'm a little stiff from Track."

Victor: "Where did you say you were from?"

Donald Zehr: "When I graduate I am going to do my best in getting Ahead."

Floyd Meiss: "Well, goodness knows you need one bad enough."

Mr. Shinpaugh: (in physics) "What is steam?"

Wes Foor: "Water crazy with the heat."

Ramona: "Hey you, don't spit on the floor!"

Johnny Diggle: "S'matter? The floor leak?"

Miss Garrity: "Have you read 'To a Field Mouse?'"

Junior Flesher: "No, how do you get them to listen?"

Mr. Shinpaugh: "We'll have only a half day of school Friday morning."

Henry Stortz: "Hurrah!"

Mr. Shinpaugh: "We'll have the other half in the afternoon."

Kenny Gerig: "I heard you pulled off something big last night."

Carlton: "What?"

Kenny Gerig: "Your shoes."

Mr. O'May: "Now Johnny, if Napoleon were alive today, what would he be doing?"

Hohnny Murray: "Drawing an old age pension."

Ty Kaufman: "I've been thinking it over, and I've decided to agree with you."

Mr. Hill: "That won't do you any good, I've changed my mind."



Don Gramm: "How did you get that black eye?"  
Paul Reeves: "I was protecting a little boy."  
Don Gramm: "That's noble; who was he?"  
Paul Reeves: "ME."

Duane Guth: "What would you do if you married a rich woman?"  
Don Adams: "Nothing, I expect."

Miss Hayes: "Edson, translate 'Rex Fugit.'"  
Edson: "The king flees."  
Miss Hayes: "You should use 'has' in translating the perfect tense."  
Edson: "The king has fleas."

Henry Stortz: "How about a little kiss, girlie?"  
Joan Steward: "No, I have scruples."  
Henry Stortz: "Well, that's all right; I've been vaccinated."

Betty S.: "Jean told me that you told her that secret I told you not to tell her."  
Rosemary: "And I told her not to tell you I told her."  
Betty S.: "Well, I told her I wouldn't tell you she told me, so don't tell her I did."

Miss Garrity: "Johnny, how many bones have you in your body?"  
John Kahle: "Nine hundred."  
Miss Garrity: "That's a great deal more than I have."  
John Kahle: "I guess you didn't have fish for breakfast like I did."

Jenk: "Just think of it; steak only 20 cents a pound, eggs 15 cents a dozen, chicken 10 cents a pound, and milk 5 cents a quart."  
Myrt: "Where?"  
Jenk: "Oh, nowhere, but just think of it."

Miss Hayes: (in English class): "Ronald, take this sentence: Lead the cow from the pasture, what mood?"

Ron Ringger: "The cow did, ma'am."

Bill Hayes: "I just had a plate of oxtail soup and I feel bully."

Wilbur Haase: "I just had a plate of hash and I feel like everything."



## THE CALENDAR

September 1--School opens. Grunts and groans begin for the students.

14--We defeated Stanford 6-0 in our first baseball game.

17--Heyworth downed Gridley's nine, 6-2.

21--G.A.A. Party--Scavenger Hunt

28--Gridley hit the nail on the head by defeating the Danvers nine 14-4.

October 4--Terry Kearney is on crutches today as the result of an accident Saturday night. Joe apparently was more lucky. One of those thirty-five mile per hour men, huh Terry?

5--World Series Baseball games begin. As a result, school studies are neglected somewhat.

6--English test for Seniors.

7--Miss Hepperly was called home by the death of her father. We, the students of G.C.H.S. express our deepest sympathy to her.

8--Six week tests. Myrt had the ligaments torn loose in three of her fingers. Gosh Jenk, you needn't hit that hard.

9--School dismissed early and Gridley defeated Downs 29-0.

12--End of first Six Weeks. School dismissed early for baseball game with Flanagan. Score 2-11, tough luck boys.

13--Home Ec. IV class had another test.

14--Report cards come out today. The corridors fairly echo with happy and disgusted explanations. The Seniors picked out their invitations, and the Juniors decided on their rings.

15--Freshmen and Sophomores had a party. The ice cream was pretty good we hear.

19--Juniors beat Freshmen for third place in Girl's softball league.

21--Second edition of "Gridlite" came out. Everyone is in a flutter about being shot tomorrow, so look pretty.

22--The Seniors had their individual pictures taken today, by Blankenberg. They also selected name cards.

25--The different organizations elected their members for the Student Council.

27--We had two Chenoa visitors this morning.

28--A man from Eureka college talked with the Senior girls about their future ambitions.

29--S 3/c Fred Niergarth visited with us today. Pylon staff nominated their representative for the Student Council.

November 1--G.A.A. had a meeting this morning. They have planned a hike out to the lake.

4--The Home Ec. Club had a party tonight. A number of boys are absent from school and are helping their fathers during the shucking season.

5--Try and be patient a little longer, underclassmen. The Senior girls are exercising their vocal chords for the Junior Play.



CALENDAR cont'd

- 5--Pupils are urged to give to the War Relief Fund during the current drive.
- 9--The Coal situation was serious at G.C.H.S., but the "Heat's On" again.
- 10--Congratulations, Ramona, on being elected president of the Student Council.
- 11--Armistice Holiday. We understand that Mr. O'May and Mr. Shinpaugh caught something besides colds.
- 12--Pylon meeting at G.C.H.S.
- 16--Home Ec. Club sold cup cakes, Yum--Yum.
- 17--Junior play--It was really good, they are very good actors. The band played and the Senior girls sang.
- 19--First basketball game of the season, we defeated Flanagan 50 - 8.
- 20--We now have a service flag in the hall. G.C.H.S. has 49 former students and teachers in the service of their country.
- 22--Six weeks tests again--Study, study, study.
- 23--The boys are really practicing basketball, because they want to defeat Fairbury tomorrow night.
- 24--Game with Fairbury here. Tough luck boys, the score-Gridley-17, Fairbury-23.
- 25--Thanksgiving Vacation begins.
- 29--Report cards came out today.
- December 3--The Seniors Received their Invitation Cards. Cornell-30, Gridley-24, at Cornell.
- 6--The Senior Class attended the funeral of Mrs. Foor. We extend our deepest sympathy to Wes in the loss of his mother. G.A.A. meeting.
- 7--The Seniors received their Tuberculosis tests today. Appropriate for Dec. 7th, Sgt. Clifford Brown told us a number of his experiences in the Air Force, we all enjoyed his talk very much. Gridley cage squad was defeated by Normal 44-31.
- 8--Several members of the Music class entertained at the Women's club this afternoon.
- 9--The Seniors had a test in English today in observance of John Milton's birthday.
- 10--Game at Chenoa. Good going boys, Gridley 25 and Chenoa 19. A Student Council meeting was held today, the main topic being forming a "Pep Club". The Home Ec. girls made cookies and Jello for the party Monday night.
- 13--The Flu "bug" has many people. The Home Ec. party for the Orphans was postponed.
- 14--Gridley downed Lexington 64-15.
- 15--The Home Ec. Club sold cocoa during the noon hour today, it was very good.
- 16--Mr. White spoke to the students of Grade and High School this morning. His very interesting subject was on alcohol and tobacco. G.A.A. party was held tonight.



Calendar cont'd

- 17--Many of the Seniors received their class pictures today. The "flu" has caught up with Mr. Towner, he was absent today. El Paso game postponed.
- 19--We grieve the loss of our schoolmate, Shirley Funk.
- 20--We were all very to hear that Miss Garrity was ill today.
- 21--Gridley defeated Roanoke 34-32 for their first Prairie Conference game.
- 22--Many students attended the funeral of Shirley Funk. Christmas vacation began today.
- 30--Gridley played Lexington in the first game of the Xmas Tourney and defeated them 47 to 19. Chenoa also won from El Paso.
- 31--Gridley won the Championship game 44 to 22 from Chenoa. El Paso won from Lexington for third place.

JANUARY

- 3--HAPPY NEW YEAR! Back to school again after a fine vacation.
- 4--The Juniors started the new year right by recieving their rings. They look very nice too. The Pep Club held a meeting after school and elected officers. We defeated the strong Minonk five 43 to 39 for our second Prairie C. win.
- 5--The bookkeeping class is laboring very hard on their practice sets, they are anxious to get done.
- 6--The Seniors received their application pictures from Blankenberg Studios today. Home Ec. party tonite. Hobbies were shown.
- 7--A Student Council meeting was held the last period today. The school pictures that were taken six weeks ago arrived today, some were good and some were unmentionable. We defeated Eureka, last years P. Con. Champs, 32-30 in an overtime game at Eureka.
- 11--We played El Paso in basketball tonight and we won 32-21.
- 12--Today we voted on the proclamation of having longer noon hours, there are many who are for it.
- 13--The Gridlite came out today, very newsy this time.
- 14-- Student Council meeting was held today. There was a very nice write-up in the Pantagraph today about our boys. We smothered Lexington on their own court 37-28.
- 17--Semester exams started today, no cramming, please.
- 18--Semesters ended today, we celebrated by winning the game with Roanoke tonight. It was the 11th win of the season, and our fifth P.C. win without a loss.
- 19--Today 12 people were nominated for cheerleaders for the coming year. The F.F.A. boys escorted the Home Ec. Club girls to a theatre party at Chenoa, a very good time was reported.
- 20--A group of friends surprised the editor of the Pylon, Esther Eigsti, the 28th being her birthday. She really was surprised too.
- 21--The second semester started today and we received our report cards. Fairbury beat Gridley for the second time this year. The score was 39-32.



Calendar cont'd

- 22--Longer noon hours started today, town kids are happy.  
25--We played our first tournament game with Danvers. We won 50 - 35.  
27--We played Chenoa this afternoon and won, 41 to 30.  
The Gridlite came out today.  
28--Tonight we played McLean, what a game, we won 47 to 45.  
29--For the first time in 17 years, Gridley won the McLean County Championship in Basketball. We played Heyworth and defeated them 39 - 32.  
31--Although the celebrating was postponed, about 75% of the students decided to have a skip day.

FEBRUARY

- 1--Presentation of the awards was made to Mr. Shinpaugh by Captain Wes Foor, in the gym this noon. Prairie Conference game tonight. Gridley 43 and Minonk 42, in a very close game.  
3--A game at El Paso tonight. We won 31 to 15.  
4--An all school party tonight in the Gym in honor of the Basketball team. It was an unforgettable occasion. There was no school this afternoon.  
8--We swamped Flanagan at the Basketball game tonight 60-38. Sorry to hear Kenny Stahley is ill with Scarlet Fever.  
9--Several students are ill. We miss them at school.  
10--School dismissed at 1:30 today because of the bad snow storm.  
11--No school today---We're snowbound.  
14--Valentine's Day. Don't forget that it's leap year, girls. The Senior class Sleigh ride was postponed because of too much snow.  
15--Several students had sleigh parties tonight.  
16--It was decided today that we sell Magazines to appropriate money for the Student Council. Game with Cornell her, the score 34-32, they won. The Home Ec. II class had a dinner in the Lab this noon.  
17--The Home Ec. IV class served a dinner this noon. Everything was delicious---Game with Chenoa tonight, We won 35 to 27.  
19--Eureka game--Gridley 30-Eureka 28. Gridley has now won the Prairie Conference title.  
22--The Juniors and Seniors took I.Q. tests today. Did Mr. Shinpaugh say this was easy in comparison to others?? The District games began. Gridley won from Cropsey 45-37 That was nice of you Mr. Towner to postpone the Book-keeping test until tomorrow.  
24--Bookkeeping test-----Gridley played Anchor at the District tournament and won 45-33.  
25--Gridley wins district title by beating Colfax, the score Gridley 41, Colfax 33.



- 28--School pictures for the Pylon were taken today.  
29--Sgt. Braker, of the State Police Force, spoke this morning on safe driving. He stressed that to drive safely, one must have BOTH hands on the steering wheel.

#### MARCH

- 1--We were defeated in the Regional at Chenoa by Fairbury, the score 41 - 33.  
2--There was a Pot Luck supper at the Home Ec. Club tonight. Many went to the game at Chenoa afterwards.  
3--The fourth six weeks up today, and we received our report cards. The Seniors voted that they would sell fifty more annuals.  
6--Teachers institute today, so we had another vacation.  
7--For the Next three weeks the Senior Ag. boys will learn the art of making a cake and the Home Ec. IV girls will learn how to hammer correctly.  
8--A representative of Wesleyan was here today and talked to the members of the Senior class about college.  
9--The eleventh issue of the Gridlite came out today. The seniors regret losing their classmate, Marilyn.  
10--The Frosh-Soph Tourney started today, we won.  
11--Fat drive started today--bring in all your waste kitchen fats. In Home Ec. the boys are learning all about pie making and in Ag. the girls are learning how to fix sockets and plugs.  
13--We were all sorry to hear that Alyce Rose has Scarlet Fever. We all wish her a speedy recovery.  
16--Mr. Shinpaugh and Mr. Towner were absent from school today, they attended the State Basketball tourney at Champaign.  
17--St. Patrick's day. The Senior girls celebrated by winning the Basketball Tourney from the Juniors. The hard earned score was 11-2. The Freshmen had a volleyball party tonight, more fun.  
20--Everyone should be happy, this is the first day of spring.  
22--The students picked their prizes from the magazine sale today, they received some very nice gifts.  
23--An Assembly program was given by the Home Ec. club the third period. It was a very good program. The closing of the fat drive was celebrated, the Sophomores won. The Home Ec. boys entertained the Ag. girls with supper tonight, very good boys. V-Roy the magician was here tonight, a very good program. The profits will sponsor and start a youth center. A man from the Patagraph was here and took pictures of the Ag. girls and Home Ec. boys.  
24--The Student Council met today and voted on having a Merit system in operation a few weeks.  
28--A P.T.A. benefit was held in the Gym tonight, the band played and the chorus sang. Two one-act plays were given by the Sophomore class, which were very good.



- 29--A Home Ec. Meeting was held the third period this morning, they are planning a field trip to Bloomington. A new case of Scarlet fever--Don Zehr has the bug now.
- 30--The Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors held an egg drive for the last two weeks. It ended today. Results: Fresh-105 doz., Sophs-100 doz., and Juniors 26 doz. Harold McKinnley, 1st prize, Marie Jensen, 2nd., and John Kahle, 3rd. Part of the money will go for track equipment.
- 31--Miss Garrity called the cast for the Senior play today. The play is to be April 21st.

#### APRIL

- 1--Mr. Hill and seven track boys made a trip to Oak Park to compete in their relay.
- 3--The Home Ec. III and IV Class had a Vegetable luncheon this noon and a very laughable time was had.
- 4--The Home Ec. Club enjoyed a Field Trip to Bloomington. They had a nice time and they saw many things of interest.(?)
- 6--Everyone is happy because tomorrow there is no school--Easter Vacation!
- 12--El Paso track meet post-poned.
- 14--End of fifth six weeks. Only six more weeks to go, students! Track meet at Gridley - Washburn here.
- 19--Chenoa at Gridley.
- 21--The Senior play was presented.
- 28--Gridley Relays!

#### MAY

- 13--Junior - Senior Banquet.
- 21--Baccalaureate Exercises.
- 23-24--Semester Exams.
- 26--And another class begins its journey into life. The Class of '44 said tearful good-byes to good old G.C.H.S. tonight.
- 2--Track meet, Chenoa at Chenoa.
- 6--Delevan invitational meet or Lincoln Relays.
- 9--Track meet, Pontiac at Gridley.
- 13--District meet.
- 16--County meet.
- 19--State meet.
- 25--Onarga Military Academy at Onarga.



